

Reception by
George Peacody.

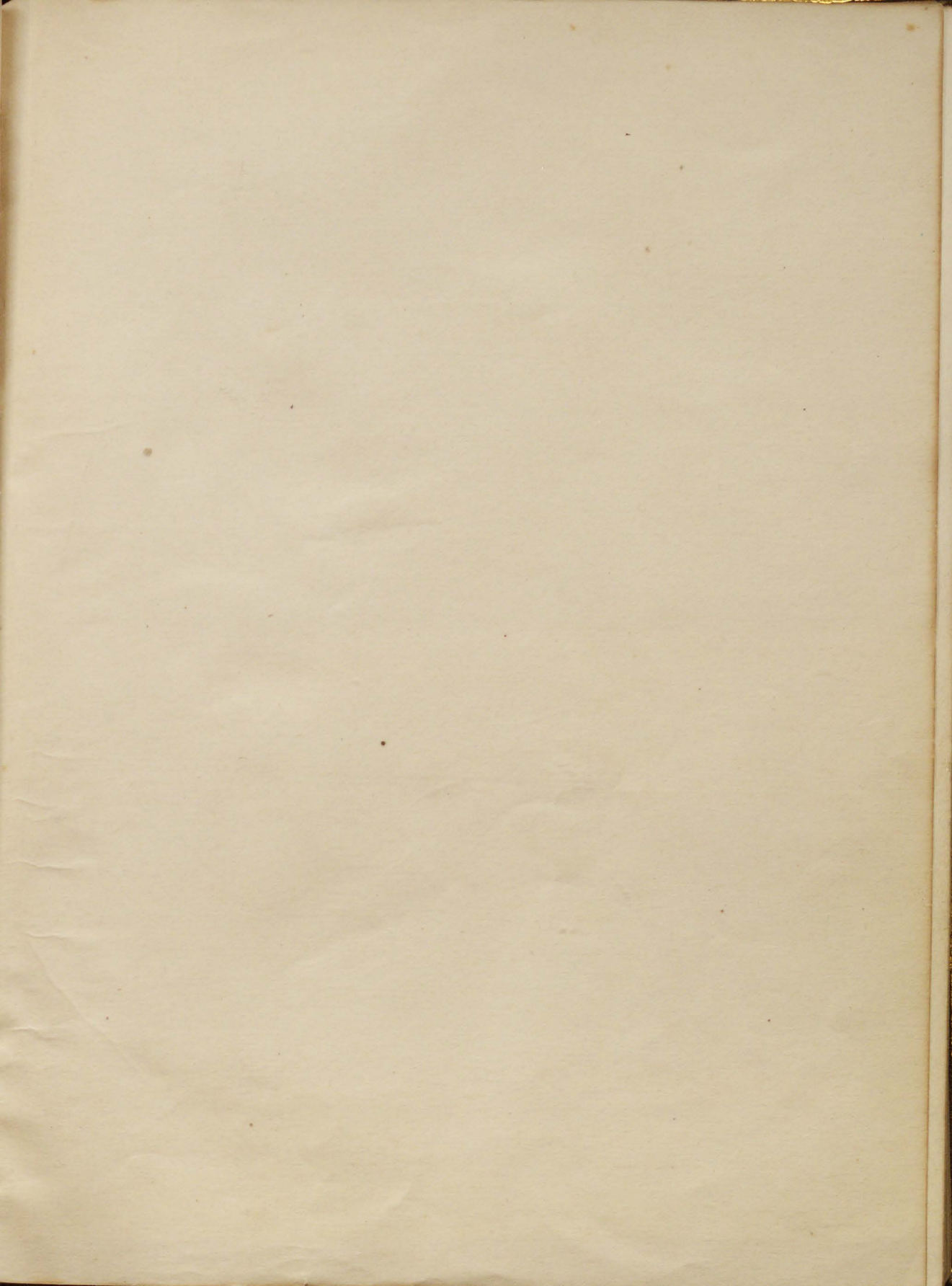
of the
School Children of
South Danvers.

October Fifteenth
1866.





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RECEPTION

of

George Peabody Esq.
by the

School Children and Citizens
of
South Danvers
Oct 15, 1866.

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HIS LETTER

*Donating \$100,000 to the
Institute.*



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Preface.

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Trustees.



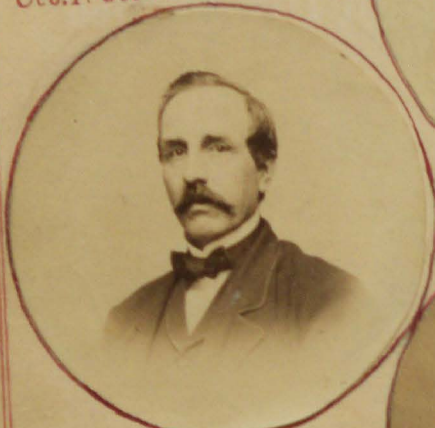
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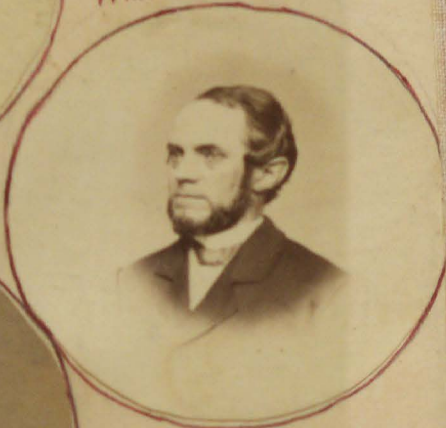
Wm. Sutton.



A. A. Abbott, President.



J. A. Lord.



B. S. Wheeler.



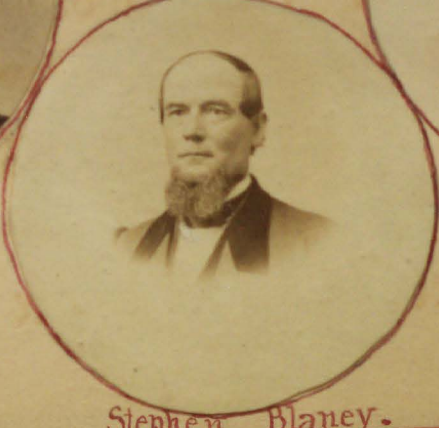
Dr. G. Osborne Treas'r.



Jonathan King.



W. H. Little.



Stephen Blaney.

Proceedings.

The visit of Mr. Peabody to the children of the Public Schools at the INSTITUTE on Monday Oct. 15. 1866 was a scene of great and touching interest. He had utterly declined the proffer of a public Ovation, but expressed his wish to meet the scholars in a manner as informal as possible, and a Committee of the Trustees was appointed to make the necessary Arrangements.

Mr. Peabody arrived in town by the Lowell train about 9 o'clock, in company with his sister, Mrs. Judith Peabody Daniels, of Georgetown and George Peabody Russell, and his Lady. They proceeded at once to the residence

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of Mrs. E. Sutton, opposite the Institute, by whom⁹
they were entertained during their stay.

The School Children to the number of
over One Thousand, assembled in the Hall
of the Institute at nine o'clock and awaited
the arrival of Mr. Peabody and his friends.

We soon appeared and his appearance was
greeted with every demonstration of delight,
a welcoming air by Gilmore's full orchestra
band, a "Welcome Greeting" by the children,
and the utmost enthusiasm prevailed.

Dr. George Osborne, in behalf of
the Trustees of the Institute, now made
the following Address.

Young Masters and Misses,

Scholars of South Danvers:

I rise now as the inadequate instrument
in behalf of the Peabody Institute, to intro-
duce you to your Noble friend and Benefactor,
George Peabody Esquire of London,

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the following Address:

George ... and Miss ...
Chairman of South Duncraig

I now move the inscriptive instrument
in behalf of the Phobody Institute to intro-
duce you to your noble friend and benefactor
George Phobody Esquire of London.

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formerly one of the School Boys of this, then hamlet, now Town of South Danvers. I regret exceedingly, and the Trustees must feel the like regret, that, owing to his public duties in our Courts, our President of the board, a gentleman so au fait in such business, so facile in speech, so graceful in manner and matter, could not be here to inaugurate these pleasant and gratifying Ceremonies.

The Trustees, learning that a strong desire was prevalent among you to see and meet Mr. Peabody face to face, felt it incumbent on them to make known their wishes to him. This they did and found that it came upon him at a very inauspicious time,— he had made all his arrangements for a journey South and West on business of interest and importance to him. But Mr. Peabody has made your occasion paramount, and by this act you have a high Compliment of his Appreciation of you.

formerly one of the school boys of this
then school now come of about 30 years
I regret to say and the trustees must
feel it their duty to have him
in the school as a member of the board
a gentleman so well qualified for business so
could not be better to have him in the school
and to give him a certificate
of his good character and ability to do
the work of the school. You know and
must know that it is to the benefit of the
school to have him in the school and to
to him. He has the right to come
upon him of a very high time. He has
made all his arrangements for a journey to
and back on business of interest and importance
to him. But the school is made your oc-
casion permanent, and by this of you have
a very important and important part to play



Dr. Geo. Osborne.

President of the Day.

It is unnecessary for me to enter into any biographical sketch of Mr. Peabody. You all know its outlines. But in this paternal Hall, in this paternal and fraternal gathering, I may be allowed to rehearse, that he has returned to us to-day, laurelled with the honors of the great Cosmopolitan city of London; also of many of her most distinguished Guilds and Corporations. Not these alone; he comes with the reputation of declining to be made an alien of his Native Land, an alien of his Native Town, an alien of the School-boy spot which, in the feeling words of Byron,

————— we never forget

Though there we're forgot,
by refusing to accept a baronial Title
from the hands of England's most
loved and gracious Queen. [Applause]
Nor is this all. Per Majesty, from her

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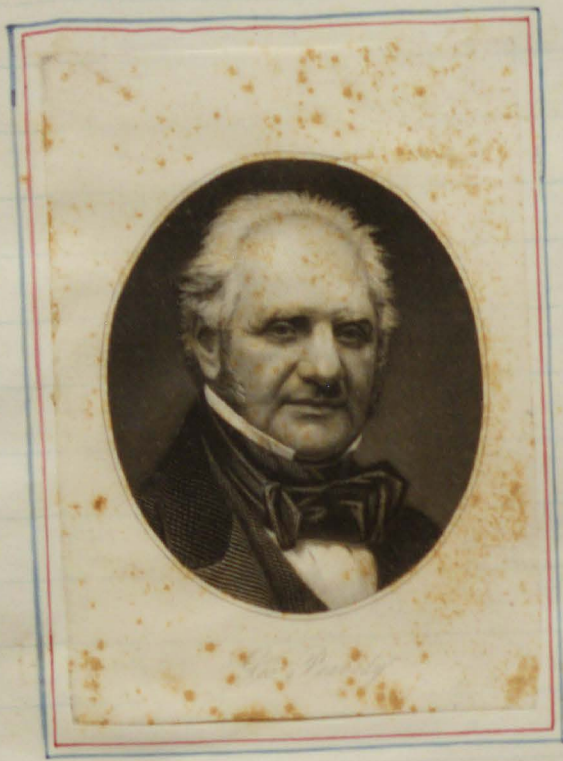
Queen.

high poise in the ranks of the Magnates and Nobles of all Europe, condescends to ask, in a way which more nearly touches the heart's affections than titles, gold, or precious stones, - to ask of him, a private citizen of the United States of America, and considers it no derogation of herself or her dignity to do so, - to accept her Portrait, in token of her high esteem of his qualities as a man. [Applause] These laurels and their insignia, he comes now to proffer to us, and to you and our successors of the town of South Danvers, with all the necessary means to preserve, as long as time shall suffer them to endure, as testimonials of what, by probity, industry, and morality, the boy or girl of to-day may fairly aspire to in their more mature years.

Now sir, please accept the homage of respect of these children, and

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of all Europe, condescends to ask, in a way which
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silver, gold, or precious stones, to ask of him
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and considers it no degradation of herself or
her dignity to do so, to accept her position
in token of her high esteem of his quali-
ties as a man. I explained these laudable
and their insignificance, he comes now to protect
to us, and to give and our successors of the
town of South Abington, with all the
necessary means to preserve, as long as
time shall suffer them to exist, as
testimonials of what we highly esteem
and in which we are proud to-day
may testify aspire to in their more modest

Yours,
Dear Sir, I have accepted the hon-
our of respect of these children, and



whatever colloquial or more formal words or precept you may give them, be assured it will be most gratefully received and be indelibly impressed upon their memories, as long as memory lasts.

At the close of his remarks, Dr. Osborne called attention to the veiled portrait, hanging over the centre of the stage, saying that some earthly or fairy hand had transformed the picture that they were accustomed to see there; and when the veil was withdrawn they would see what a change had been wrought. Upon the removal of the veil, the former Portrait was gone and in its frame hung a new and beautiful likeness of Mr. Peabody as he now is, in the ripe maturity of a green old age.

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My Dear Young Friends:

Nearly two generations have passed away since I left this, my native Town, with probably less education than even the youngest among those I now address, and with no prospect of future success in life beyond that of any boy now before me who possesses good health, industry and perseverance, with a heart and mind determined to make pure principles his guide. My course is well known, and I fear too much appreciated by our whole Country, but praise, even

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Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.
As follows:

The Board of Directors of the Company have considered the same and have decided to grant you a license to use the name of the Company in connection with the sale of the goods you are now selling.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours truly,
J. H. [Signature]

Enclosed for you are the necessary papers for the license.

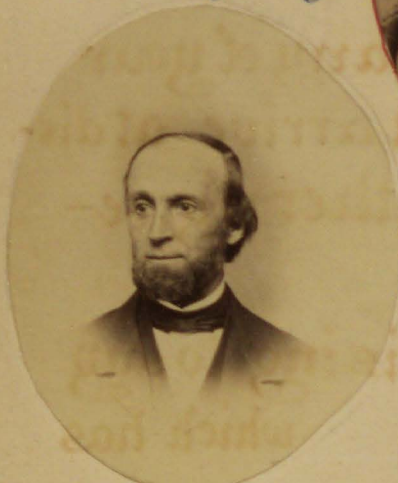
School Committee.



Rev. D. H. Montgomery.



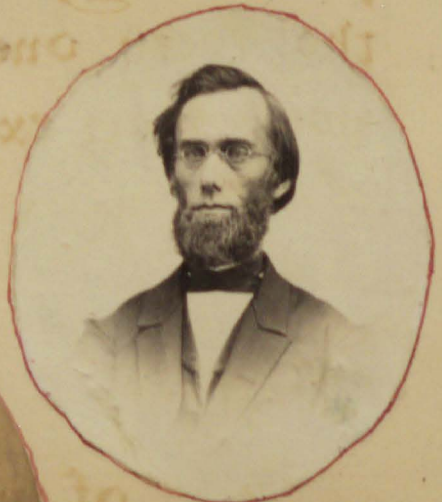
Rev. W. M. Barbour.



A. Merrill.



F. Poole.



Rev. Mr. Williams.



O. Phillips.

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but partially deserved, tends to stimulate to extra exertion, both physically and morally particularly the young, and I hope and pray that every one within the sound of my voice, may experience, as I have, the truth of these remarks, and deserve that pride and satisfaction which are sure to attend all those who do right, and benefit their fellow men.

All of you, my young friends, should aim at a high mark in this respect, and undoubtedly many of your number, of both sexes, will arrive at distinction in society, but neither my regard for truth or past experience will justify me in promising to any one of you that great success which has ever attended me. Scarcely one in an age attains to it, and I feel most sensibly that it is only by the guidance and

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the study of the Bible.

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Peabody
High School.



H. DAME.
Principal.



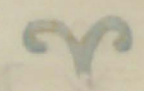
A.E. Somes,
Assistant.

and blessings of my Heavenly Father
 from early life to my present advanced
 age, that I have been enabled to ac-
 complish so much for the physical
 comforts of the Needy, and the pro-
motion of Knowledge and Morality
 for the present and future genera-
 tions. As you advance in life
 you will find that years will appear
 short in comparison to those occupied
 by your studies at the present time.
This is my second visit to my Native
Land, for thirty years, and the period
 appears brief to me. Time and Gen-
erations pass most rapidly.

TEN Years ago last week,
 on a beautiful autumnal day, I ad-
 dressed, from the front of this Insti-
 tute, the Scholars of the Denver Schools

My dear Father

from early life to my present advanced
age, that I have been enabled to ac-
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I am now in the period
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on a beautiful autumn day, I ad-
dressed from the front of this Insti-
tute, the scholars of the grammar school

numbering, I think, over Seventeen
Hundred, and I then said to them;
"I would bid you remember that but a
"few years will elapse before you will
"occupy the same position towards
"your own children, which your
"parents now hold towards you.
"The training you are now receiv-
"ing, therefore, is a precious talent,
"for the use or abuse of which, each
"one will, on a future day, be called
"upon to give an account." This
language, my Young Friends, I
wish equally to apply to you now, as
I then applied it to them. Where is now
that assemblage of nearly two thou-
sand scholars? In this short space
of time, I doubt whether fifty of them
occupy the place of Scholars here
to-day. Many of them have become

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District —

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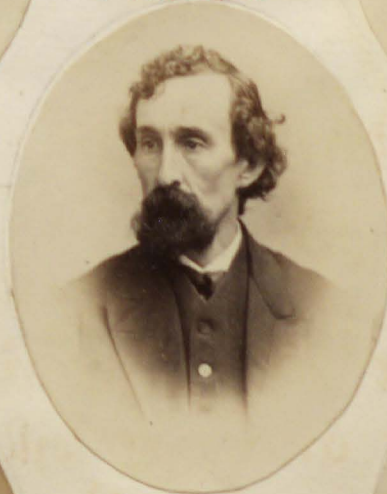
Principal.



M.J. Peasley.



Augusta F. Daniels



C.E. Bradford.



S.H. Burt.



M.H. Gould.



Elizabeth Evans

husbands and wives, and nearly all have entered upon the cares, duties, and the anxieties of more mature life.

You have taken the place which they occupied in 1856, and by the time of the great Centennial Celebration in 1876, the birth of our Glorious Union, they, your fathers, mothers, brothers and Sisters, will have taken another step forward on the stage of life, and you will take the places they now fill. Be prepared for that important change while your present high privileges are open to you.

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to you.

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of being here at this time; but God
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Centre District
No. 2.



P. Needham, *Assistant.*



M. C. Whippey *Assistant*



J. W. Upton.



L. A. Kimball, *Assistant.*



K. C. Wiswell, *Primary.*

beyond the allotted limit of three score
years and ten, to return and enter
 upon the realization of hopes and plans
 which I have entertained for many
 years, and to endeavor to show my
gratitude for His goodness and
watchful care, by taking further
 and wider action in extending to the
 inhabitants of my native town, of my
 native State and my native Country,
 not only for the present generation, but
 to those who will appear and act upon
 the stage of existence in future ages,
 the means of mental culture and of
moral improvement.

At my advanced age, I cannot
 expect to meet you again collectively,
 and it is to me a saddening thought,
 for though since I addressed your

perpetrated the allotted limit of their story
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J.E. Prescott Assistant.

Bowditch District No. 3.



J.S. Hayes Principal.



J.S. Tufts Assistant.



M.E. Kittredge Primary.

predecessors at the time I have mentioned I have met many assemblies of children, and to some I have spoken — founded on a long experience — words of simple advice and caution, yet in none, on either side of the Atlantic, can I feel so deep an interest as in the Children and Schools of South Danvers.

They seem intimately connected with thoughts of my childhood and early youth: they take the same lessons, they occupy my playgrounds, and their feet tread the same paths over which I once trudged to School. With such feelings, therefore, I earnestly exhort you, my dear young friends, to strive by your present advantages, to prepare yourselves for a life of

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usefulness in the responsible positions which you are to fill; to honor, and if necessary, support your Parents; to never depart from the paths of honor and integrity, and, above all, "Remember your Creator in the days of your Youth, and when you are old He will not forsake you."

Farewell, Farewell.

At the conclusion of the above excellent address, a double quartette sang, "we come again with song to greet you"; after which there was music by the band and singing by the children.

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pond to the Odeas.

Rockville District, 4.



E.E. Burdon,
Principal.



A.S. Merrill, Assistant.



S.A. Barnes, Primary.

AS guardians of our Youth we recognize our responsibility. To educate the youth of a Republic is one of the most sacred of duties. Without **Knowledge** how shall our citizens defend, without **Morality** how shall they perpetuate our institutions? We, therefore, welcome every aid and influence for the promotion of "Knowledge and Morality" Such an aid is the **Peabody Institute**. When founded, its benefits, as an educational power were unforeseen. Who **can** foresee all that a good action secures? The life of our citizens is touched by the **Institute** at many points. Social feelings are cultivated by attendance on the lectures. "I do not like certain people" said Charles Lamb "because I do not

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stitution of our nation is founded on
the principle of education. The
rights of our citizens is founded on
the principle of many rights. Our
rights are constituted by the
of the United States. We
and the United States.

know them." We know one another better by meeting with them winter evenings, and consequently have more congeniality of feeling towards one another. And this influence is not lost on our youth. Combined with the pure literature of the library—our scholars never getting an objectionable book from its shelves—the spread of intelligence and good feeling has been marked; and we desire that this be told in the presence of the Founder of the Institute and his fellow citizens.

The Peabody High School, too, with its medals for all who graduate; and prizes graded according to scholarship and behavior, is also to be recognized as influencing our

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The Flintbury High School
too, with its scholars for all who good-
will; and prizes given according to
desert. And Flintbury is also
to be recognized as influencing our

youth most favorably. But sir,
 [addressing Mr. Peabody] in the
 name of the Children it is mine to
 speak. These glad-hearted youth are
 desirous to express to you their happi-
 ness at having your example before
 them as an inducement to perseverance
 in an honorable career. "Boys will
be boys," and those present whom
 I saw marching across your old
 play-ground to-day are thinking,
 as you doubtless thought when in
 their places. If some excellent
model was before you, they are glad
 that they have a model in one
of themselves.

Lexington



They are proud that they
 live in a town with monuments.

youth meet fearfully. But as
 addressing the people in the
 name of the **Church** it is mine to
 speak. I am glad to hear of
 desires to express to you their happy-
 ness at having your example before
 them as an inducement to perseverance
 in our venerable **Church**. They will
 be bold, and those present whom
 I saw marching across your old
 play-ground to-day are thinking
 as you doubtless thought when in
 their place. **It was excellent**
 words was before you, they are glad
 that they have a model in **you**
 of themselves.

A few are proud that they
 live in a town with monuments

Yonder stands one, recording the heroism of our fallen dead. It has not stood in vain. Our late war bears witness that under its shadow have arisen many who have dared and died for the national life. Peace hath her Victories and her Monuments too. We are under one now. This building is the shadow of the monument erected to the memory of a mild, yet successful life passed in unbroken peace.

Did I say we were in the Shadow? If so, (looking up at the new portrait) that shadow has a new light in it; for, allow me to say, as every one who has handled a Warren Bank bill knows, that the face

Order stands on recording
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Double

Quartette.



Miss S.S. Baker Alto.



Mr. Young, Pianist.



H. Dame, Bass.



W.P. Clark, Tenor.



Benj. Upton, Tenor.



Mrs. Upton, Soprano.



S.N. Mahew, Bass.



Mrs. F.A. Nelson, Alto.



E. Mackintire, Pianist.



Mrs. Hutchinson, Soprano.

of *George Peabody*, in any form, is
a welcome sight.

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These children are pleased
that Mr. Peabody has granted them
his presence. *The School Committee*
are constantly urging on our citizens
the propriety of giving their *personal*
influence to the *Schools*. We need
influence as well as government.

Glad are these girls and boys to
have our *Chief Citizen* honor them as
he has done to-day.

But, not to detain you, sir, let
but this one thought be added.
As a commercial man, these young
people believe that you value a
receipt. Since your *motto*, as well

of the people in our country
and the right of

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That our these things and boys
have our children in the hands
he has done so.

But, we are not going to
let this one thought be added
as a contribution to the
people believe that you want
to do this thing right away.

as your name, is a household word with them, they desire to give a practical turn to that wise thought —

"Education - a debt due from the present, to future generations." They are here to present you with one of those endless receipts, which are lawfully yours, as one fully discharging his share of that debt.

WE are glad, respected sir, that **God** in his Providence has spared you to meet the first of the advancing generations that are to greet you or your memory. In the songs of these our children, hear the "hum of far off thousands yet to be," In their smiles, see some of those perpetual blossoms which will be flung out from what you have planted. In their enthusiasm

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We are glad, respected sir, that
God in his providence has spared you
to meet the first of the advancing
generations that are to greet you on your
return. In the hope of that our land-
lady, when the "harm of far off thousands
yet to be" shall have made its mark
these perpetual blessings shall
will be living and firm, what
happened in their enthusiasm

read the first of that gratitude which will continue to flow towards one we have all learn'd to revere and bless and love.

Surely sir, next to the blessing of that Heavenly Father, whom you recognize as your constant guide, must be the blessing of one's fellow men; and here, in your boyhood's home, where your public benefactions began, you have a token, in this glad day, that the home return is first, and — shall we say? — the best.

After Mr. Barbour's address and pieces of music, the children were presented to Mr. Peabody who had for them many pleasant words of good advice. They were presented by Schools.

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presented to Mr. Barton who had for
them many pleasant words of good ad-
vice. They were presented by the school.



Mrs. G.A. Osborne.

The following song, written by
Mrs. George A. Osborne, was sung during
 the exercises.

Song.

We come the noble man to meet,
To every heart among us dear;
 With joy his kindly face we greet,
And bid him grateful welcome here.

We love him for his generous heart,
 That finds delight in other's good,
Rejoicing ever to impart
The wealth upon his pathway strewed.

We bless his hand outstretched to pour
 On other lands his princely gifts;
That feeds the hungry, clothes the poor,
From homeless want the needy lifts.

The following song written by
 Mrs. George J. Parsons was sung during
 the exercises

Song

We come the noble men to meet,
 With every heart around us beat,
 With joy his kindly face we greet,
 And bid him prosper in his quest.

We love him for his generous heart,
 For his noble delight in others' good,
 Rejoicing ever to impart,
 His wealth upon his pathway stowed.

We bless his hand outstretched to help,
 On other lands his precious gifts,
 That feeds the hungry, clothes the poor,
 And banishes from the needy strife.

Rich blessings in his footsteps spring
 And halls are reared of storied lore;
Learning and Thought their volumes bring
Science and Art their treasures pour.

Our grateful tribute now we pay
 For choicest gifts on us bestowed;
Fresh cause for thanks have we to-day
 For ceaseless kindness to us shewed,

Then let his favored birthplace prove
Worthy of all that he has done;
May we, by wisdom, truth and love
Perfect the work so well begun.

May God from every ill defend,
 And guard and guide him in his ways;
May peace and joy his steps attend,
Blessings and honors crown his days.

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May we, by wisdom, truth and love
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And guard and guide him in his way;
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The Boquet.



Miss. Helen Jacobs.

DURING these exercises a young miss, daughter of Mr. and Mrs C. W. Jacobs, blushing and timidly came upon the platform and placed in the hand of Mr. Peabody a small Bouquet which he received very graciously and kissed the donor.

The exercises now closed with "Home, sweet Home" by the Band. As the audience passed out, they formed on the steps and in front of the building, with Mr. Peabody in their midst and were photographed by Messrs. Knowlton & Smith.

The Trustees and Invited Guests partook of a well spread dejeune at the house of Mrs. Sutton.

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miss, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. W.
Jacob, blushing and timidly came
upon the platform and placed in the
hand of the speaker a small bouquet
which he received with graciousness
and kissed the donor.

In evening we closed with
the usual service of the Lord.
As the audience gathered they
formed on the platform and in
the building with their hands in their
hands and were photographed by
Miss Jonathan Smith.
The service was well
attended and a special
feature of the service
the house of Mr. S. W.

PEABODY INSTITUTE AT
NOON.



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AFTERNOON.

Citizens Meeting.

The reception by the adult citizens in the afternoon was quite as pleasant an occasion as that by the children in the morning. After music by the orchestra band, Mr. Peabody was presented by Dr. Osborne to the Medal Scholars of the Peabody High School who occupied prominent seats in front of the rostrum and wore around their necks their Peabody Medals.

In a short, impromptu speech, Mr. Peabody expressed his happiness at meeting them and the hope they would never do aught that would induce them to display Their Medals on

their backs instead of their breasts. He promised them that he would most assuredly revisit them in two or three years, should his Heavenly Father permit him to remain upon the earth so long, and that he would always think of them with the kindest feelings.

After a piece of Music, Dr. Osborne announced that Mr. Peabody wished to address the audience, as he had a pleasant surprize for them, and he then presented him to the assembly.

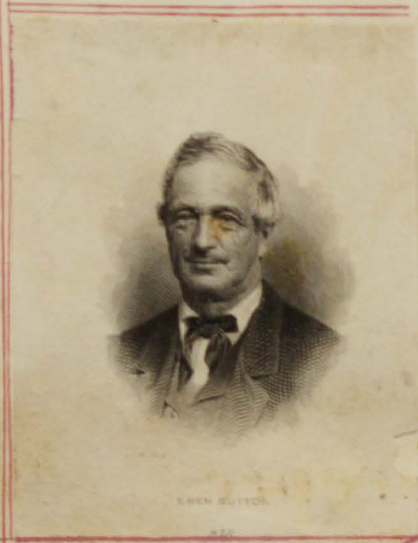
Mr. Peabody said; - It is but a few hours, my friends, since I had the privilege and pleasure of addressing the children of the Schools of South Danvers, who had assembled to meet me in this Hall.

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had a pleasant surprise for them, and
he then presented him to the assembly.

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Eben Sutton Esq.



*First Treasurer of the
Peabody Institute.*

Mrs. E. Sutton.



*Donor of the
Eben Dale Sutton Fund.*

I am now entrusted with a **com-**
munication from a **Lady** of this
 town, to the **Trustees** of the **Institute**,
 which more especially concerns you,
 the older population of this, my **native**
town, which I shall read to you, with
 a degree of pleasure and **satisfaction**
 which can only be equalled by that
 felt by **yourselves**, who are, with
 your **descendents** and **successors**,
 to be benefited by her great and con-
 siderate **Munificence**. From
 her high character and well known
wealth and **liberality**, you will doubt-
 les anticipate the name of—

Mrs. Eben Sutton.

[Great Applause]

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town to the Trustees of the Institute
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to which I shall read to you with
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Mrs. E. Ben Sutton

[Other Appointments]

I assure you that, from her first intimation of the noble donation which she has proposed to give as auxiliary to this Institution which bears my name. I entered into her wishes with all my heart; and, while I appreciate most deeply, as I am sure will all of you, the tender emotion of maternal affection and remembrance which has prompted the generous Gift, and the delicate feeling which has desired to associate the name of her fondly loved and deeply lamented Son with such a memorial of him as may well recall his scholarly attainments, his cultivated tastes, and his pure and blameless life, I feel most highly complimented by her selection of me to be the first to make the announcement to you, and I will now read her Letter.

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My dear Sir,

and while I am happy to say that I am sure you will be very anxious to see the completion of this noble donation, and the influence which has prompted the generous Gift, and the noble legacy which has been bequeathed to us, I cannot but feel that it is a great honor to be so favored by you. I am, Sir, very truly, your obedient servant.

To the Trustees of the
Peabody Institute,
 Gentlemen;

The rare advantages conferred upon our community by the establishment of the Peabody Institute, are fully appreciated and gratefully acknowledged by all who have been privileged to enjoy them. Having often had favorable opportunities for observing its benevolent results heretofore, I could but cherish a deep interest in its continued prosperity and Success. This interest has ripened into a feeling akin to personal affection, through recollection of the delight and improvement which its treasures afforded to my dearly beloved son Eben Dale Sutton, now deceased.

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and **prosperity**, and **desires** that
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aim to personify one of the
actions of the delight and improvement
which is incessantly offered to my dear
beloved son, Edwin Peabody, and
henceforth

AS a Memorial of this departed Son, I have desired to make the Institute some offering which should permanently connect his name with this noble public benefaction. HAVING received from Mr. Peabody a kind and cordial approval of my plan, I propose to present for your acceptance, as Trustees of the Peabody Library, the sum of

Twenty Thousand Dollars
for the furtherance of the objects had in view by the Founder.

In making this gift, it is my wish not to trespass on the ground already so successfully occupied by the present Library for circulation.

Twenty Thousand Dollars

Eden Dale Sutton.

Twenty Dollars



Eben Dale Sutton.



I desire that it may be invested as a permanent fund, to be called the —

"Eben Dale Sutton Fund"

the income of which, as it accrues, shall be devoted exclusively to the establishment of a reference library; that the books purchased for it shall be of enduring value, and such only as are desirable and indispensable for the use of scholars, that they shall be substantially, and as far as practicable, uniformly bound, and shall be kept together in some room of the Institute Building, especially assigned for their accommodation, from which they shall never be loaned or taken.

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permanent fund to be called the —

Edward Dale Scholarship Fund

The income of a fund of \$10,000 shall
be distributed annually to the scholar-
ship fund of the University of the South
for the purpose of providing for the
education of students of the University
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It is not my purpose to attach any onerous conditions to this donation; but, at a future time, should my proffer be acceptable to you, I will express more fully my wishes and plans for its disposition and management.



I shall place this gift in your hands Gentlemen, associated as it is with most tender memories with full assurance that it will be wisely administered, and will prove a lasting benefit to the present and future generations.

Yours Respectfully
Eliza Sutton

his was another Joyful Surprise, and it fell upon the audience like Thunder from clear sky.

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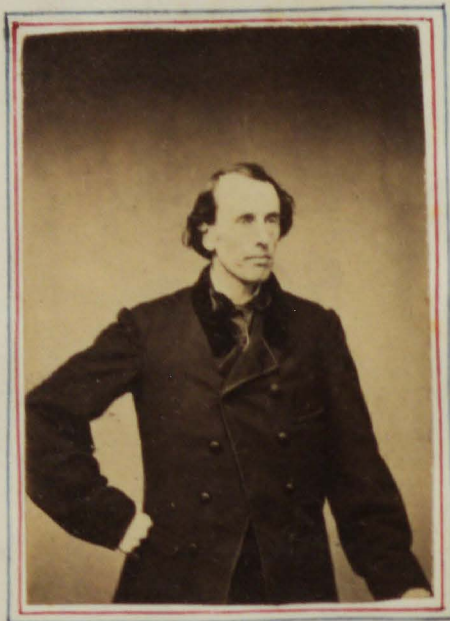
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gentle, as intended as it is with most
tender intentions with full assurance that
it will be wisely administered and will
prove a lasting benefit to the people
and future generations.

Yours respectfully
Elizabeth


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This was another joyful
surprise, and it felt upon the
heart like the touch of frost that day

The donation itself, and the manner of
 its presentation, it being by the hand
 of Mr. Peabody himself, gave great
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 tive offering to that Institution in
 memory of the gifted youth by whom
 it was so greatly appreciated. On
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 and touching tribute to the memory
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 stow benefits on the Institution he
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 interests, was in a general sense
 to the institution.



Rev. W. M. Barbour.
Address in behalf of the
School Children.

 In the part of the Trustees the President came forward and thankfully accepted the Donation, and called upon Mr. Barbour to make acknowledgements on behalf of the People, which he did as follows—

Mr. President—since you have, for the trustees, formally accepted this gift, it gives me great pleasure, in representing the people of the Town, with a frankness corresponding to your own, to accept it in their behalf. The surprises of the day, it seems, are not ended. Yet this gift, or the announcement of it rather, on this auspicious day may reasonably be accounted for. In the country where I had the good, or bad fortune to be born, I remember a custom of

this sort. When rumor told that there were brides in town the unmarried were accustomed to go very close to the betrothed, and "rub shoulders;" and this, the would-be brides said, was to "catch the infection." Now it is well known that the Trustees and invited guests, with Mr. Peabody, dined but an hour ago at Mrs. Sutton's. We are aware that wherever Mr. Peabody goes there is a desire to bestow princely gifts, and wherever he comes there is news of bestowment. It struck us, as he was reading the letter, that the Peabody "infection" had caught.

But, seriously, here is a lesson in benevolence. The wealthy know not how many thousands they direct. The founding of the

the same to us

this part of the nation's history

of New York and the

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an increasing responsibility

to the people of the State

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to protect the people

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Peabody Institute has directed to us this part of Mrs. Sutton's fortune. —

Mr Stewart of New York, and others are following these examples, and are devising self-perpetuating bequests to bless large communities. And this is not the first benevolent example that good old Massachusetts has set. She glories in this, that men from her obscure towns have taught some everlasting truths. Her plain men bless the World. Why, then, offer them titles of Nobility? The Monarch's sword but lays a baronetcy upon the shoulder while the recipient kneels; the Massachusetts freeman has his nobility struck into him at his manhood, and he wears it under heaven as he walks erect.



J.H. Teague,
Janitor.

In this bestowment let the Town hear instruction on the benefit of good management. This gift comes from a family intimately acquainted with the working of the Institute. No family in town has tested it more thoroughly or enjoyed its privileges more continuously, and the founder of it can understand by the indorsement of its management implied by this gift, how fully the letter of the Benefaction and the spirit of the Donor have been carried out. And, as one of the citizens, entirely unconnected with the trusteeship of the Institute, it behoves me to say, that, from the President of the Board to the janitor at the door, not a person acts as an eye servant, every one discharging his duty exactly as the Donor would desire.

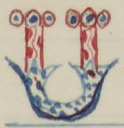
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"Be not weary in well doing." Such is one import of this new extension of your trust.

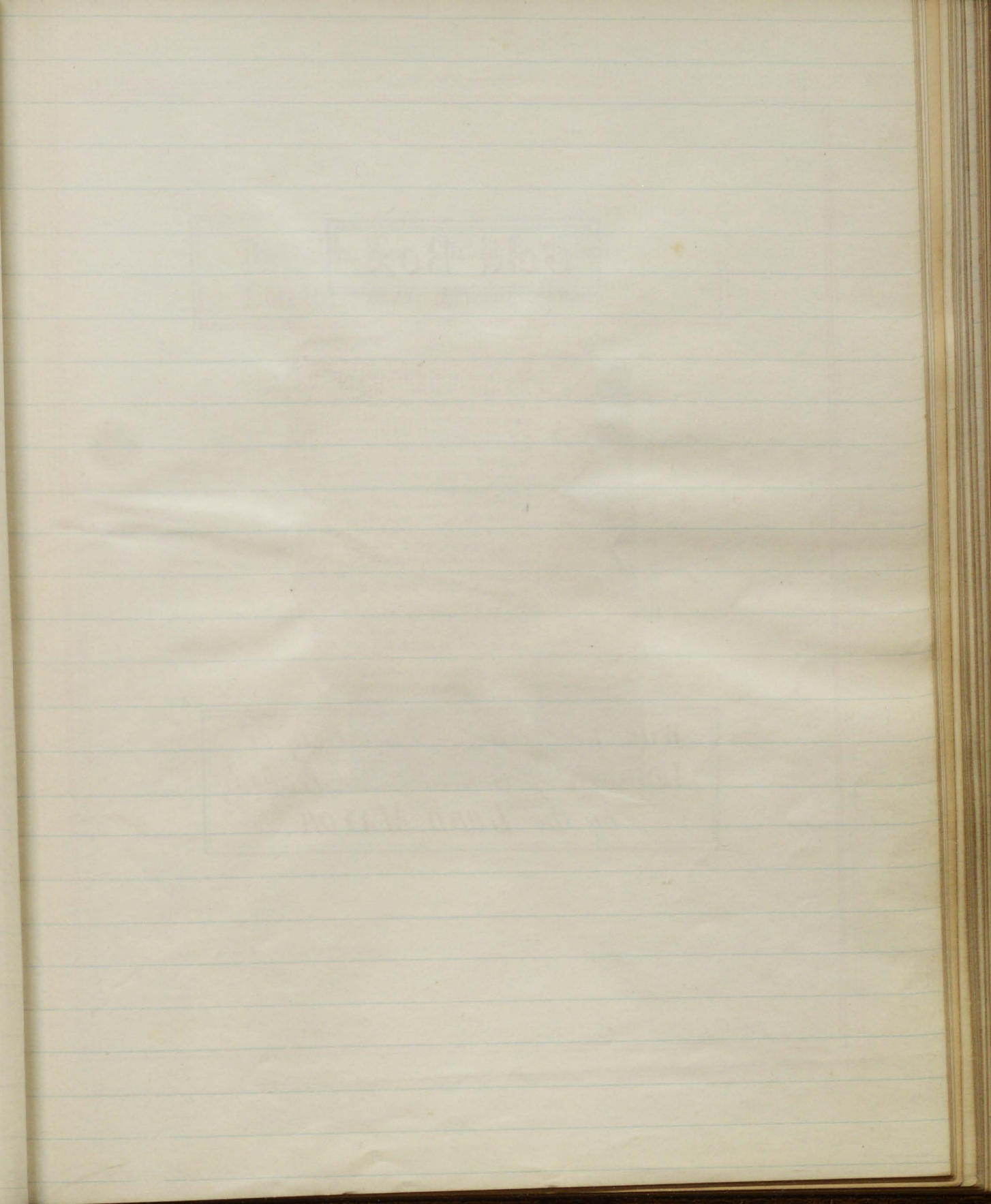
But, while watching that address and the reading of that letter for lessons for others, we had one recalled for ourselves. Mr. Peabody says he is neither orator or rhetorician. He is not aware of his own powers. If the two grand rules of effective speech are valid, first, "have something to say" and secondly, "say it," he is a finished artist. Nothing moves like speech that has something in it. Nothing pleases like a pause when the speaker finds his thought distinctly apprehended.

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meeting of the American Society for the
first time something is said "with a
sympathy" and it is a finished
work. Nothing more like speech that
has something in it. Nothing finer
like a pause when the speaker finds
his thought naturally appropriate.


pon this I act. You distinctly apprehend that we have heartily accepted Mrs. Sutton's proposal, and have been taught by it lessons of life and duty. And as I give way that the People may express their exuberant feeling in Music and Song, let a thought be added on the admirable finish that has been put upon the substantial kindness of our Guest. He has, perhaps, visited some of those wonderful manufactories of Birmingham or Sheffield, and if so, he has seen that after wheel, and lathes and leather have done their best on the lustrous steel, the last effort at polish is made by the hands of female operatives. Warmly as we are and ever shall be attached to this social resort, to this

Upon visiting I feel. You distinctly
apprehend that we have heartily ac-
cepted Mrs Sullivan's proposal and have
been taught by it lessons of the only way
kind to give away that the people may
express their abundant feeling
in music and song. It is thought to
add to the abundant spirit that has
been put upon the substantial kindness
of our church. The two perhaps united
some of their abundant resources
and of abundance as sufficient to
if so, it has been that with a great, and a
father and mother have their their
but in the history shed the best effort
at public is mostly the hands of
female converts. It would be
in our own case what is intended
to this great amount. In this



Gold Box



With the *Freedom of the City of*
London, presented to Mr. Peabody
by the *LORD MAYOR.*

Right Hon. Wm. Cubitt, Lord Mayor of
London, in his Official Robes. 1856



Right Hon. Wm. Pitt, Lord Chancery
London 21st Nov 1791

Institute, deeply as we shall ever be in debt to it, the Founder is aware that our interest in it is increased by his own announcement, that its last stroke of beauty is added by a Woman's hand.

[Applause.]

After Mr. Barbour's remarks, the exercises of the day were closed with Music. The Medal Scholars and others were then introduced to Mr. Peabody who had for each a pleasant word.

Thus ended this day of joyful greetings and pleasant Surprises. Mr. Peabody appeared in excellent health and bore with cheerfulness the fatigues and excitement of the occasion. He expressed himself as pleased and delighted with

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in debt to it, the Founder is aware
that our interest in it is increased by
his own announcement, that the last stroke
of beauty is only by a woman's hand.

[Appended]

A list for the Burdett's

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closed with Music. The musical
selections and choruses were then
introduced. The singing was
for each a pleasant work.

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greetings and pleasant surprises.
The program appeared in excellent
order and for with the future
the future will be a pleasant
the present. The present is
a pleasant and delightful work.

the manifestations of good feeling towards him and he responded to those manifestations with even more than his usual geniality and kindness.

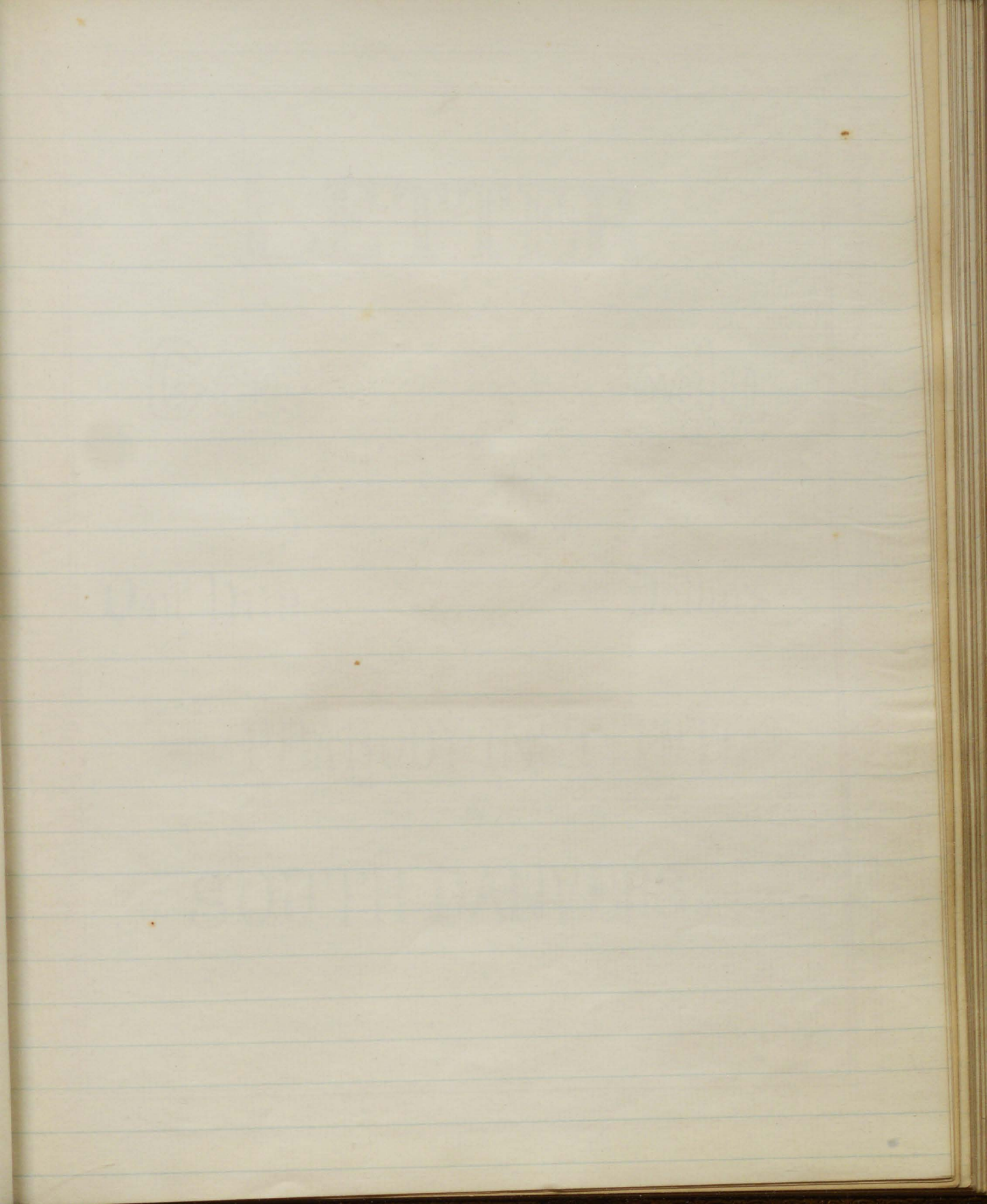
He had the opportunity of meeting some old Friends whom he had not met before for many years, and all were surprised at his retentive Memory, which readily called up minute incidents of boyish days more than Sixty years ago.

The impression made by this visit to his townspeople, we trust will be as enduring as it was pleasant.

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LETTER
of
George Peabody,
Donating
One hundred Thousand Dollars
to the
PEABODY INSTITUTE
of
SOUTH DANVERS.

LETTER

George Peabody

Donating

One Hundred and Fifty Dollars
to the

PEABODY INSTITUTE

SOUTH DAVENPORT.

PREFATORY.

Not only does Mr. Peabody make the munificent gifts mentioned in the following letter, but he makes the Institute of his native town the custodian of those honorary memorials which have, with no stinted hand, been lavished upon him.

That he should place them in the care of his fellow townsmen is natural and appropriate, and it is their gratification to be permitted to hold and exhibit them with pardonable exultation and the pride of fellow-citizen-ship.

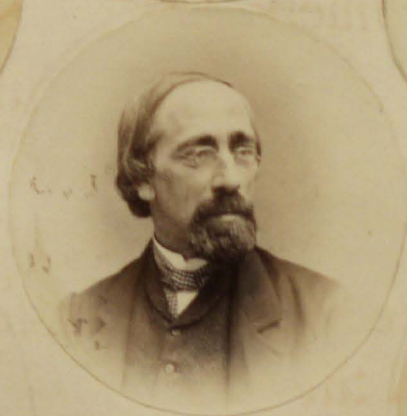
RELATORY

Not only does Mr. Peabody make the minutest details mentioned in the following letter, but he makes the situation of his native town the cause of those horrible murders which have with no slight heart, been laid upon him.

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Lyceum & Library

Committee.



THE LETTER.

Georgetown Sept. 22. 1866
To the Trustees of the Peabody Institute.

Gentlemen:—

On visiting this country, there were few subjects on which I felt a deeper interest than in the condition and success of the Institute at South Danvers and the Branch Library at Danvers. After close observation and careful enquiry, I am fully satisfied that these Institutions have proved of great benefit to my Native Town, and that, with additional means at their command their usefulness may be largely increased and extended. Accordingly, and with the same general purposes which prompted my original —

THE LITTON

George Washington, Sept. 11, 1793

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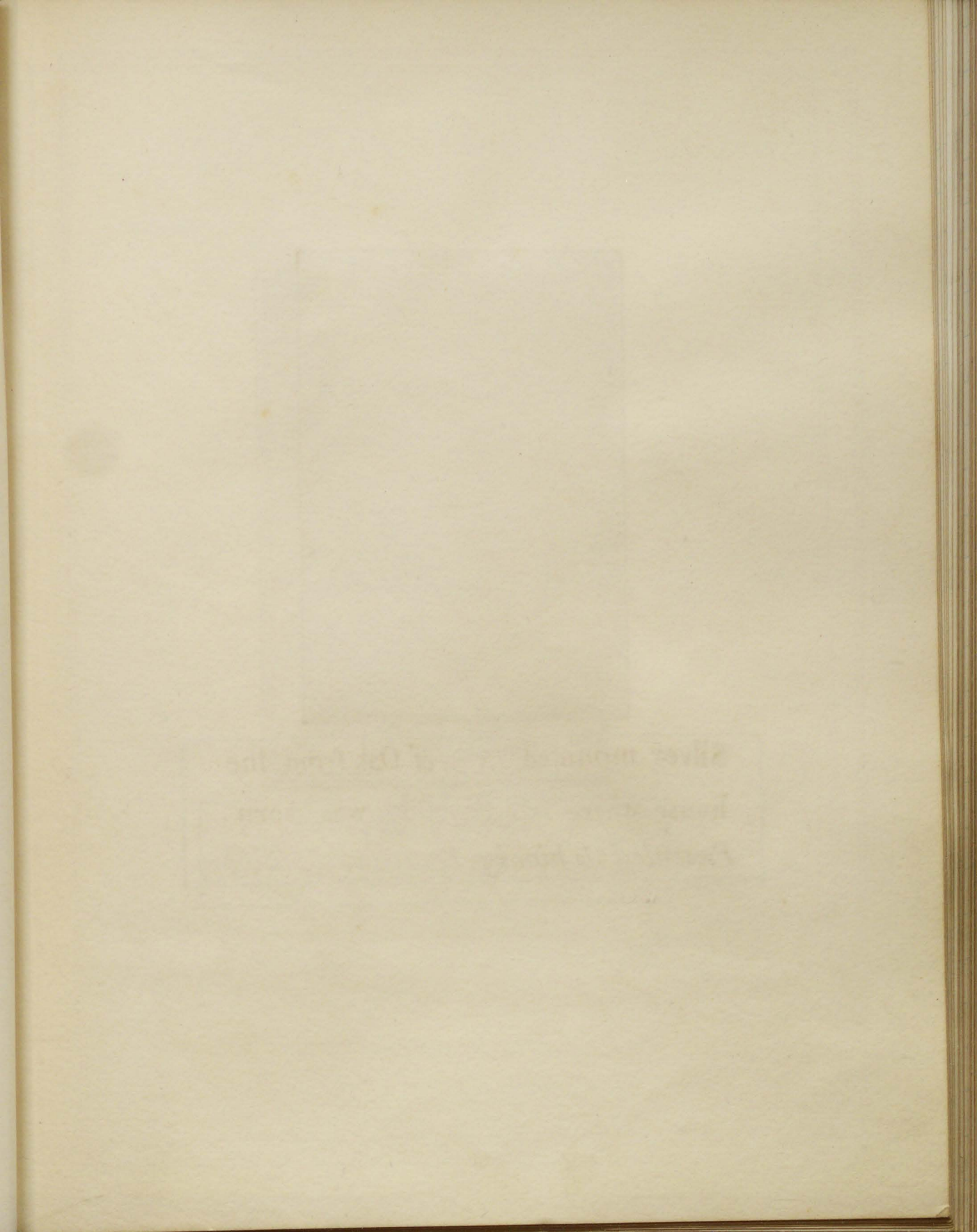
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endowment, to wit, the spread of
Knowledge and Morality among
your Inhabitants. I now propose to
give to the Institute at South Dan-
vers, in addition to what I have
already given, the sum of
One Hundred Thousand Dollars,
and an additional sum of Forty
Thousand Dollars to the Branch
Library at Danvers, to meet the
wants of the people there, as I
understand it to be the desire of the
inhabitants of each town that the
two establishments should here-
after be separate, distinct, and entirely
independent of each other, and as
in my own judgement this arrange-
ment would be for the good of all
concerned, it will be necessary
that the Town of South Danvers

convenient to not the spread of
 knowledge and liberality among
 your students. I am prepared to
 give to the students of each branch
 free in addition to what I have
 already given the sum of
 One hundred thousand Dollars
 and an additional sum of fifty
 thousand Dollars to the Branch
 Library at Geneva, to meet the
 wants of the people there. And
 understand it to be the desire of the
 subscribers of each town that the
 two establishments should be
 as far as separate, distinct, and entirely
 independent of each other and as
 in any arrangement this arrange-
 ment would be for the good of all
 concerned, it will be necessary
 that the Board of British America





Silver mounted *VASE* of Oak from the
house where *Mr. Peabody* was born.
Presented to him by Francis Peabody Esq.



Silver Vase.
George Peabody to Fr. Peabody.

should formally relinquish all its rights and privileges in the Institution at Danvers, such action to be followed by corresponding action on the part of the Town of Danvers, relinquishing all rights and privileges in the Institution at South Danvers.

It will also be necessary that the funds heretofore placed in your hands for the especial use of the Branch Library, should be transferred to those who are hereafter to have it in charge. This being done and the municipal action suggested above having been had, I shall be ready to pay over to the Treasurer of your board the sum indicated above, to be applied by yourselves and your successors in office in the enlargement & improvement

should formerly enjoyed all the
rights and privileges in the Institution
of University, such action to be followed by
corresponding action on the part of the
Board of Trustees, relinquishing all rights
and privileges in the Institution of
South Hanover.

It will also be necessary that the
lands heretofore placed in your hands
for the special use of the Branch
Library, should be transferred to them
who are heretofore to have in charge.
This being done and the said lands
action suggested above having been
had, I shall be ready to pay over
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yourself and your successors in
office in the education of students.

should formerly have been
rights and privileges in the institution
of lawyers, such action to be followed by
corresponding action on the part of the
Bar of New York, relinquishing all rights
and privileges in the institution of
South American.

It will also be necessary that the
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Library, should be transferred to those
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This being done and the municipal
action suggested above having been
done, I shall be ready to pay over
to the Treasurer of your Board the
sum indicated above to be applied by
yourself and your successors in
office for the enlargement and improvement

of the Institute, in expanding its capacities for usefulness, and in making it, what I fervently hope it may be, a Perpetual and ever-increasing source of good to the People of South Danvers.



I am reluctant to annex to the gift any conditions, but I do most earnestly desire harmony, peace and good will. In my first gift to the town I suggested that it might be advisable for the Inhabitants, by their own act, to exclude Sectarian theology and political discussions forever from the walls of the Institution" The views I then entertained time has only served to strengthen and confirm, and I must not omit now to impress them upon you.

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for the benefit of the town.
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to impress them upon you.

LORD STANLEY.



Trustee of the London Peabody Donation
and now Sec^y for Foreign Affairs of G^t Britain.

LORD STANLEY.

And that there may be no misunderstanding as to what those views are, and as I cannot express them more distinctly or forcibly, I will repeat to you the suggestions made by me in a letter establishing the Institute at Baltimore.

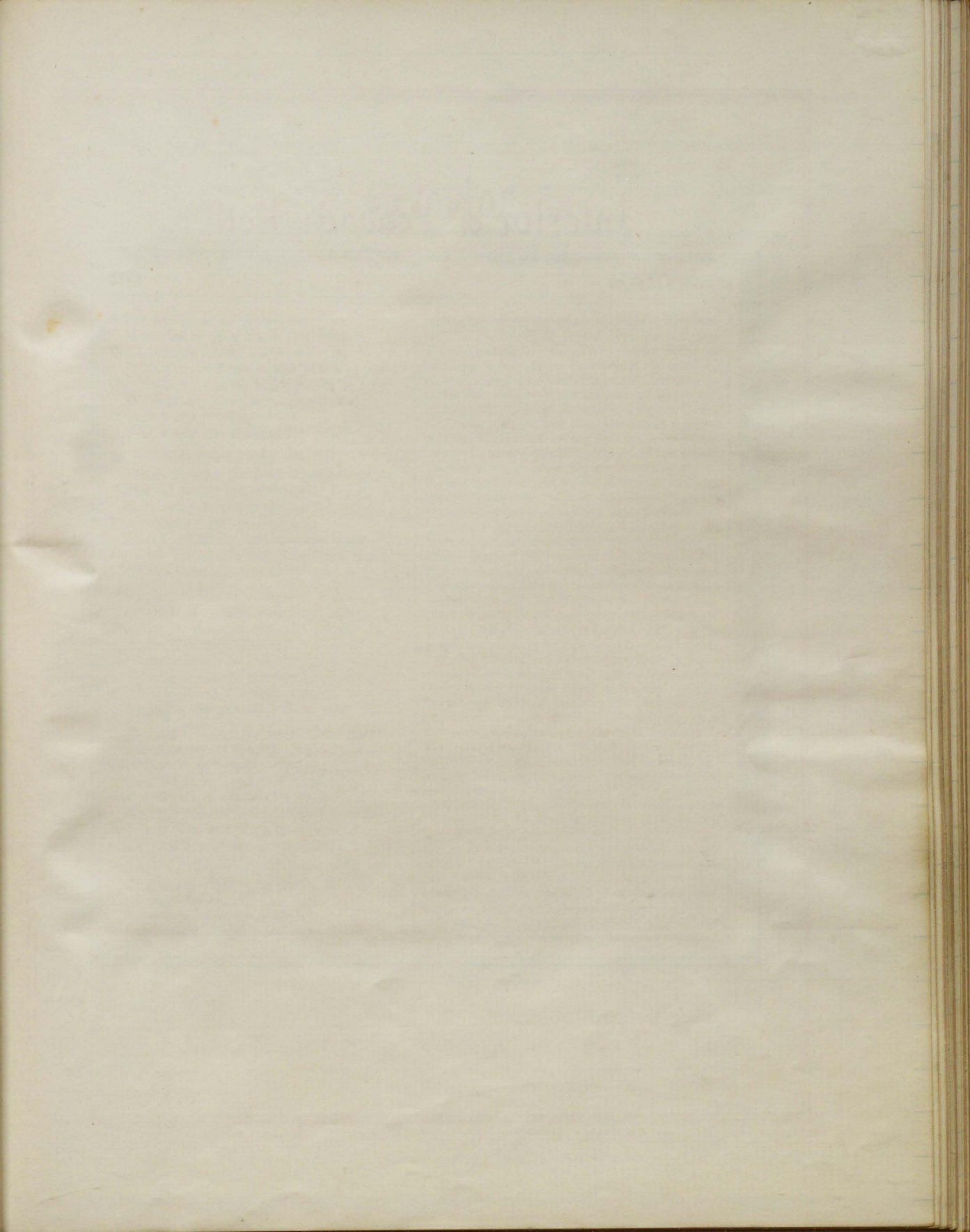
“My earnest wish to promote at all times a spirit of harmony and goodwill in society, my aversion to intolerance, bigotry and party rancor, and my enduring respect and love for the happy Institutions of our prosperous Republic, impel me to express the wish that the Institute I have proposed to you shall always be strictly guarded against the possibility of being made a theatre for

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understanding as to what their
views are, and as I cannot ex-
press them more distinctly or
forcibly, I will repeat to you the
suggestion made by me in a letter
concerning the Journal of the
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my enduring respect and love for the
happy institutions of our country
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forcibly, I will repeat to you the
suggestion made by me in a letter
establishing the principle of But
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all times a spirit of harmony and good-
will in society, my aversion to inter-
course, frolic and party tactics, and
my enduring respect and love for the
happy institutions of our progressive
Republic, impel me to express the
wish that the illustrious Abolition-
ists to get shall always be with
us, guarded against the possible
risk of being made a leader for

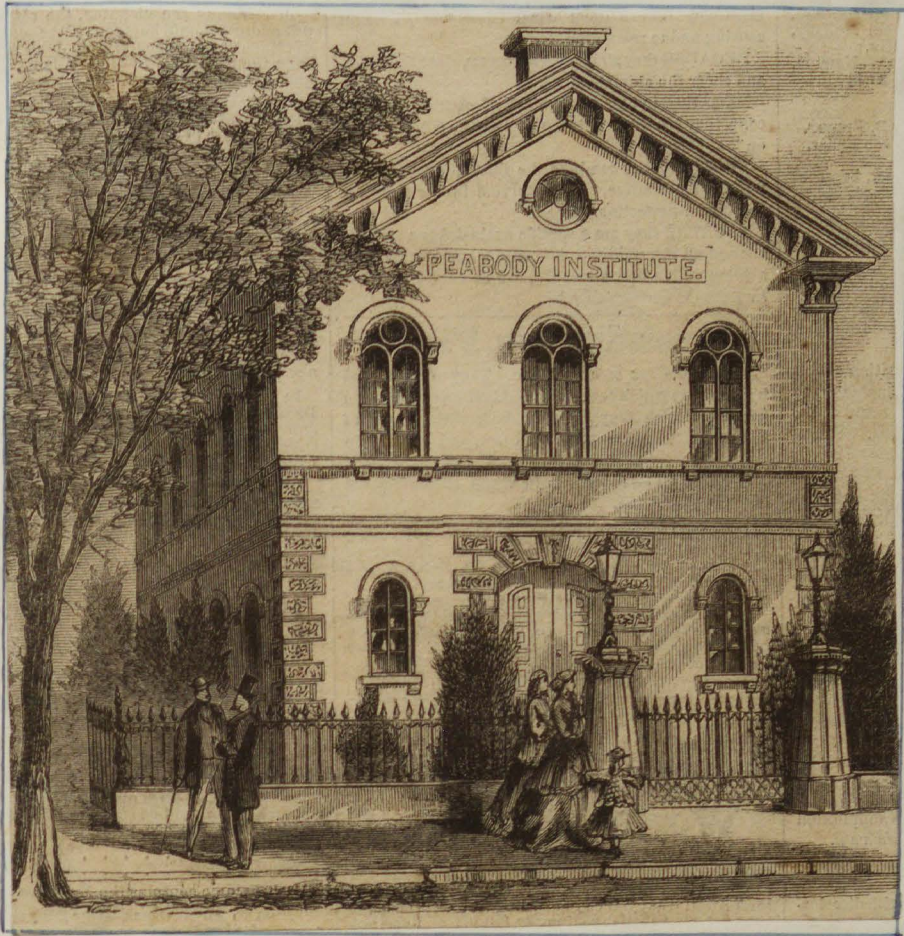


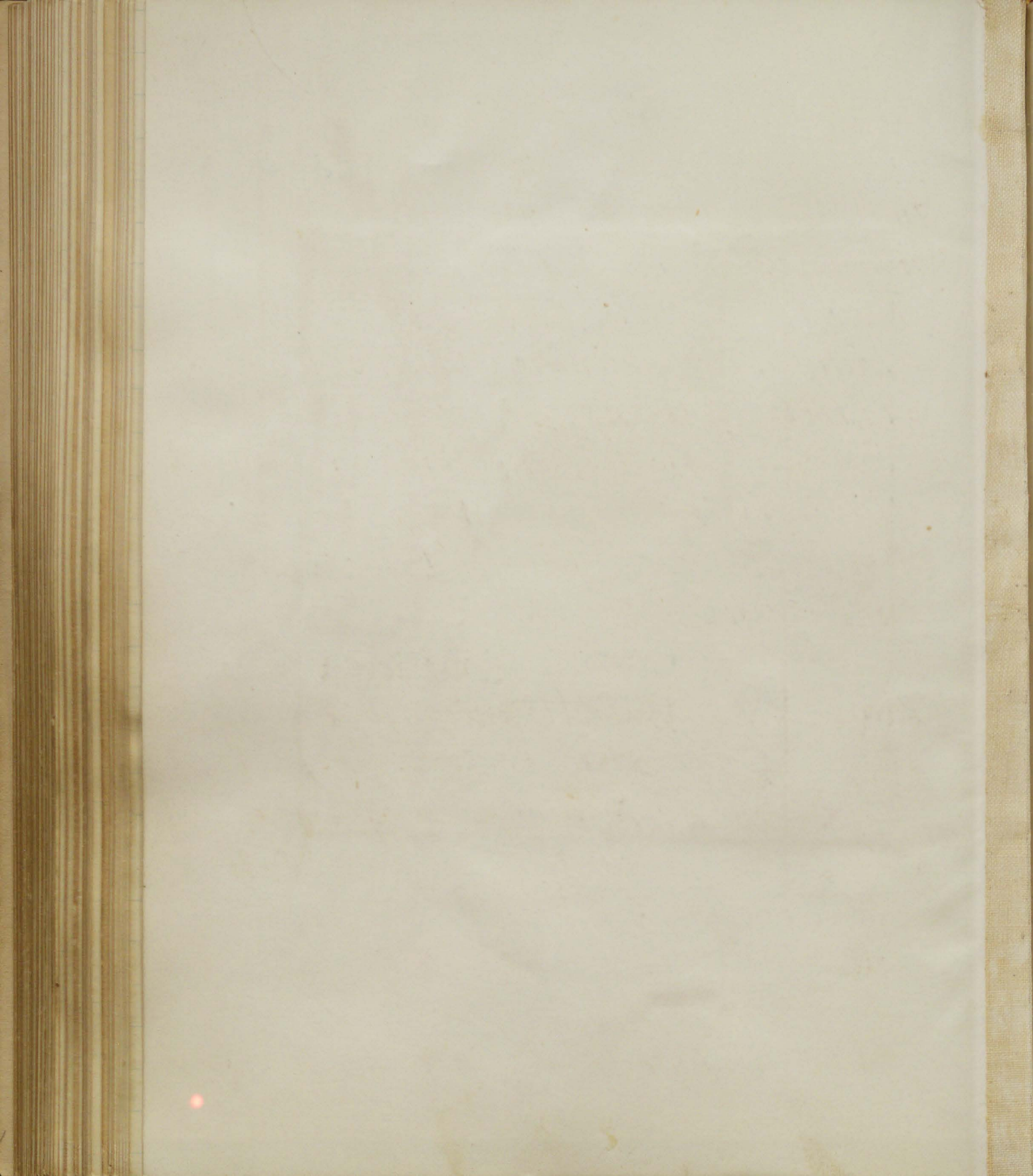
Interior of Peabody Hall.



GEORGE PEABODY ADDRESSING THE SCHOOL CHILDREN OF SOUTH DANVERS, MASS.

Exterior.





the dissemination or discussion of Sectarian theology or party politics; that it shall never minister in any manner to infidelity, to visionary theories of a pretended philosophy which may be aimed at the subversion of the approved Morals of society; that it shall never lend its aid or influence to the propagation of opinions tending to create or encourage sectional jealousies in our happy Country, or which may lead to the alienation of the people of one State or section of the Union from those of another. But that it shall be so conducted, throughout its whole career, as to teach political and religious Charity, toleration and beneficence, and prove itself to be, in

the determination to discuss
section on theology or moral philosophy
that it shall not be limited in any
manner to subjects of a particular
character or of a particular
which may be found at the end
of the approved theorems
of society: that it shall not be
to aid or influence the progress
of opinions tending to such
encourage sections of scholars in
our history, literature or which
may lead to the introduction of the
people of one state or section of
the Union from those of another
But that it shall be a constant
and thorough to which course
to teach political philosophy
history literature and business
and give itself to be in

all conditions and contingencies,
 the true friend of our inestimable
UNION, of the salutary institutions
 of our Free government, and of
liberty regulated by law."

These views, the force of which
 the recent unhappy troubles have not
 impaired, but rather served to in-
 crease their weight and render them
 more impressive, I enjoin upon you
 and your successors forever for your
invariable observance and enforcement
 in the administration of the duties
 confided to you. I would not have
 said or done, by or under the auspi-
 ces of the Institute or within its walls,
 I would not have in the Lecture-room
 any expression of opinions, or speech
 or word, which should create —

unpleasant feelings or rankle in the breast of any one person; or set neighbor against neighbor or do ought to disturb that kindly temper and social harmony which are most favorable to intellectual and moral culture and which it is my earnest desire to promote.

Surely there may be one place, one retreat from contention and strife, which angry passions and vituperative debate shall not enter, where there shall be agreement, sympathy and good-will, where the irritated temper and the fretted mind may find relief - where all, forgetting for a time their diverse opinions and conflicting views, may meet upon a common level and together unite in efforts for a higher nurture -

Rufus Choate.



Address at the Dedication
of the Institute

and a nobler life. Such a retreat ¹⁰⁹
I would establish, and to secure this
I would invoke your cooperation.

I have only one other sug-
gestion to make. her Majesty,

Queen Victoria

has been pleased to do me the sig-
nal honor of writing to me a highly
complimentary letter with her
own hand, and tendering me the
gift of her PORTRAIT. This is
now being executed in enamel on
a plate of gold, by her Majesty's
Artists at London and will be
forwarded to me during the
present year. As a work of art it
will be unique, its intrinsic value
will be great, and as an undeserved

Queen Victoria

Portrait.

and too flattering personal testimonial
and tribute, its worth to me and mine
will be beyond price.

Of this letter of the Queen,
her Portrait, the Gold Boxes from
the city of London, and other val-
ued testimonials, I propose to make
you and your successors the cus-
todians. In completing the arrange-
ments for enlarging the Institute
building, which I understand you
are about making, I require of you
to provide a strong room, with suita-
ble safe, for the deposit and exhibition
of these valuables, which shall be se-
cure against accident or violence, and
which, so far as human prudence
can do, shall preserve them unin-
jured for future generations.

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and tribute its worth to me and mine
will be beyond price.

Of this letter of the Queen
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the city of London and other vol-
ume I have been I propose to make
you and your successors the ex-
hibitors. In completing the arrange-
ments for entering the Institute
building, which I understand you
are about to build, I propose to
reserve a strong room with inter-
ior safe for the deposit and exhibition
of these pictures which shall be
the equivalent of the pictures and
which as far as human power
can be shall picture them in
front of the public eye.

Allow me, gentlemen in closing, to recognize and thank you for the earnest labors by which you have striven to render my efforts in behalf of my Native Town successful - to congratulate myself and you that these efforts and labors have, thus far met with a return which should gratify the Warmest anticipations; and to indulge the hope that, by the blessing of a Kind Providence, our joint endeavors may be crowned with great and abiding good results.

I am, with great respect

Your humble servant

George Peabody

Wm. L. Garrison

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1851



ACTION OF THE TOWN.

THE following action was taken by the Town, after the reading of Mr. Peabody's admirable letter.

Hon. A. Abbott, in behalf of the Trustees, introduced and proposed the adoption of the following Resolves at a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of South Danvers Oct. 1, 1866. Hon. Henry Poor seconded the motion.

Resolved Unanimously, That the Citizens of South Danvers have heard the Communication addressed by Mr. Peabody to the Trustees of the Institute with emotions of the warmest admiration and the profoundest gratitude, that in this proposed additional act of

beneficence, they recognize another manifestation of that intelligent, enlarged Christian Charity, which has already so generously provided for them and their Children, and which, in both hemispheres has scattered its Blessings with so liberal a hand, that as almoners of this renewed and munificent bounty, they shall feel an increased sense of their responsibility in the great work of promoting—

“Knowledge and Morality,” and that they now solemnly pledge themselves to labor and strive to carry out the exalted views and purposes of their Noble Benefactor; so that the Institution which he has established here in their midst, and so richly endowed, shall not only prove of incalculable

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benefit to this and all succeeding generations, but shall also be a worthy and ever enduring monument to the memory and virtues of its Founder.

Resolved Unanimously, that the citizens of the Town fully appreciate and cheerfully concur in the suggestions of Mr. Peabody as to the management of the Institute, and for the total exclusion of all discussions of party politics or sectarian theology within its walls, and that the Trustees be, and they are hereby enjoined, to carry out, in the strictest good faith, the wishes of Mr Peabody, not only in justice and respect to him, but as best calculated to secure the highest results of social, intellectual and moral good from his splendid Benefaction.

Resolved Unanimously

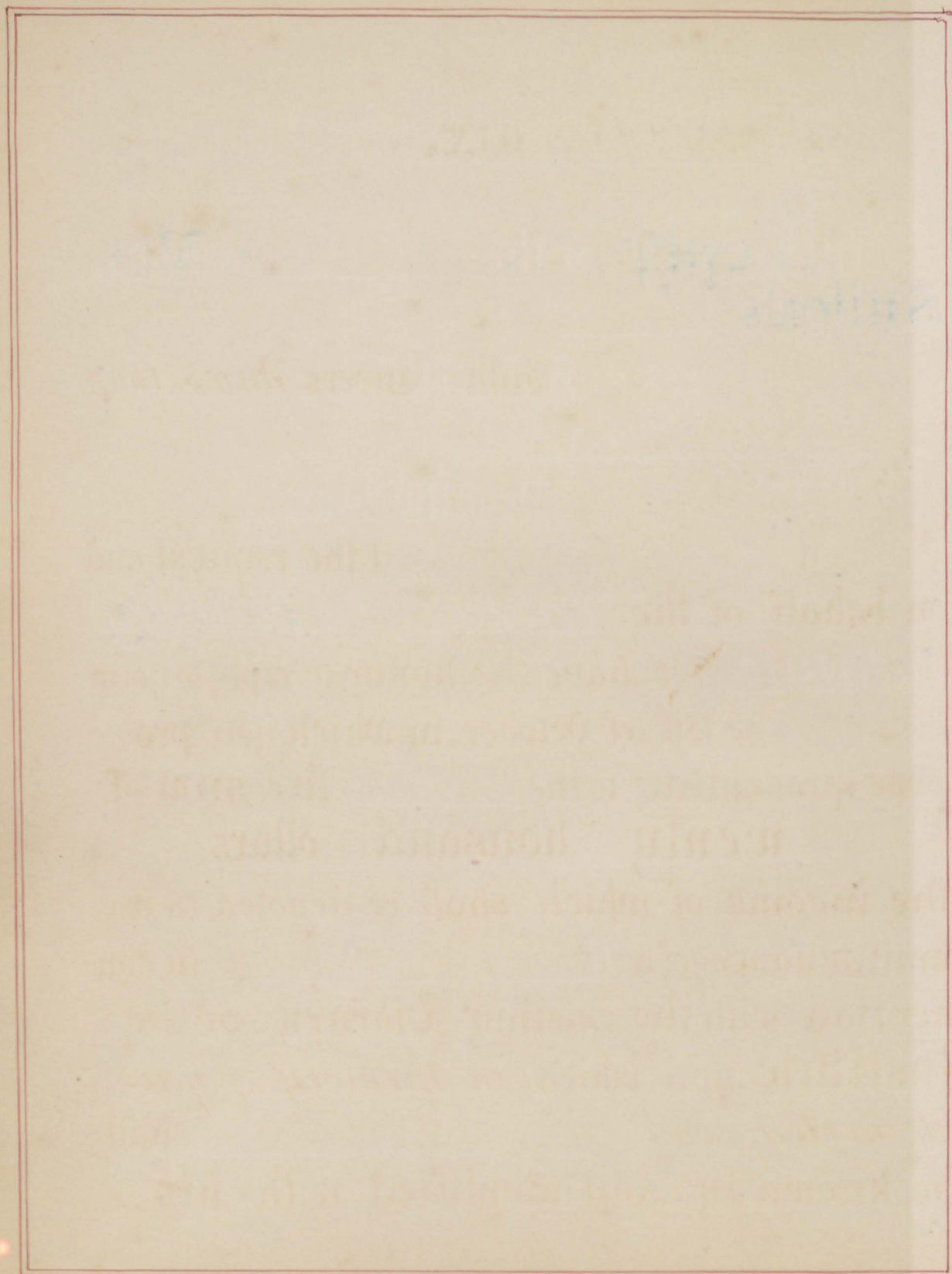
That the Citizens of South Danvers hereby formally relinquish all right, title or interest which they may have in and to the Branch Library at Danvers, and the Government, property and privileges thereof; the said Branch Library to be hereafter separate from, and entirely independent of the Institute.

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Resolved Unanimously

That the Citizens of
South Dorset County, formerly
incorporated as right, title or
interest in said land may have
as to the British Library
at Dorset and the present
and prospective use of the
land thereof, the said Dorset
Library to be transferred to
and become an integral part
of the British Library.

Witness



APPENDIX.

Reply of the Trustees to Mrs. Sutton's Letter.

South Danvers Jan. 5. 1867.

Mrs. Eliza Sutton,

Dear Madam,

At the request, and
on behalf of the Trustees of the Peabody
Institute, we have the honor to reply to your
letter of the 15th of October, in which you pro-
pose presenting to the Trustees the sum of
Twenty Thousand Dollars,

the income of which shall be devoted to the
maintenance of a Reference Library in con-
nection with the existing Library of the
Institute and which, in memory of your
departed son Eben Dale Sutton, shall
be known by, and identified with his

APPENDIX.

Reply of the Trustees to Mrs
Stanton's Letter.

South Danvers June 2 1847

Dear Madam,

At the request and

on behalf of the Trustees of the
Asiatic Society we have the honor to reply to your
letter of the 15th of October in which you pro-
pose presenting to the Trustees the sum of
Twenty thousand dollars
the income of which shall be devoted to the
maintenance of a library of books in con-
nection with the existing Library of the
Society and which we sincerely trust
will be a great benefit to the Society and
be known by and identified with its

name, we can assure you, that the delay
 in making a formal personal response
 to your generous offer, which has already
 and long since been publicly and gratefully
 acknowledged, has not arisen from any
 want of full and proper appreciation on
 the part of the Trustees of the Magnitude
 and importance of the Donation, or of
 the delicate and appropriate manner in
 which it has been tendered. On the contrary,
 they most heartily recognize in this liberal
Benefaction, the endowment of a depart-
 ment of the Institute which will add vastly
 to its means of usefulness, and which, while
 largely conducing to the intellectual and
moral improvement, through succeeding
generations for whose benefit the Insti-
 tute was founded, will be an ever endur-
 ing MONUMENT to the Memory and
Virtues of your deceased Son.

I think we can assure you that the delay
 in making a formal personal response
 to your generous offer which has already
 and long since been publicly and gratefully
 acknowledged, has not arisen from any
 want of full and proper appreciation on
 the part of the members of the Association
 and importance of the Donation is of
 the delicate and appropriate manner in
 which it has been tendered. On the contrary
 they most heartily recognize in this liberal
 contribution the endorsement of a depart-
 ment of the University which will not only
 be a source of permanent and abiding benefit
 largely conducing to the intellectual and
 moral improvement through succeeding
 generations for whose benefit the Insti-
 tute was founded, will be an ever endur-
 ing memorial to the liberality and
 virtue of your deceased Son.

The Trustees cannot but feel, that, in this act you have, Dear Madam, done that which would be grateful to the feelings of your late husband, who for many years was connected with the government of the Institute, served its interests most faithfully in a responsible position, and through life evinced a deep regard for its prosperity and success.

In accepting your munificent gift, for the purposes declared and with the conditions imposed, we desire, in behalf of the Trustees of the Institute, to signify the deep emotions of Gratitude which they feel, in common with all their fellow citizens whose representatives they are, and pledge to you their earnest endeavors to make their noble endowment a source of substantial and —

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gift for the purposes declared and with
the conditions imposed, we desire, in be-
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signify the acceptance of the gift
which they feel in common with all their
fellow citizens whose representatives they
are and pledge to give their earnest
endeavour to make their little insti-
tute a source of satisfaction and

perpetual good to our community,
and a worthy Memorial of him,
your sweet affection for whom has in-
spired this splendid Tribute.

It is hardly necessary for us to
add, that the Trustees will, at all times
be pleased to hear any suggestions you
may wish to make as to the disposition
of the FUND which you propose to place
in their hands, and will take sincere pleas-
ure in acceding to your views and wish-
es. And it is our earnest hope that you
may long be spared to witness the fruits
of your bounty, and that in the enjoyment
of health and all the blessings of life a
kind Providence may ever attend you.

We are, dear Madam, *respectfully and truly yours*

A.A. Abbott

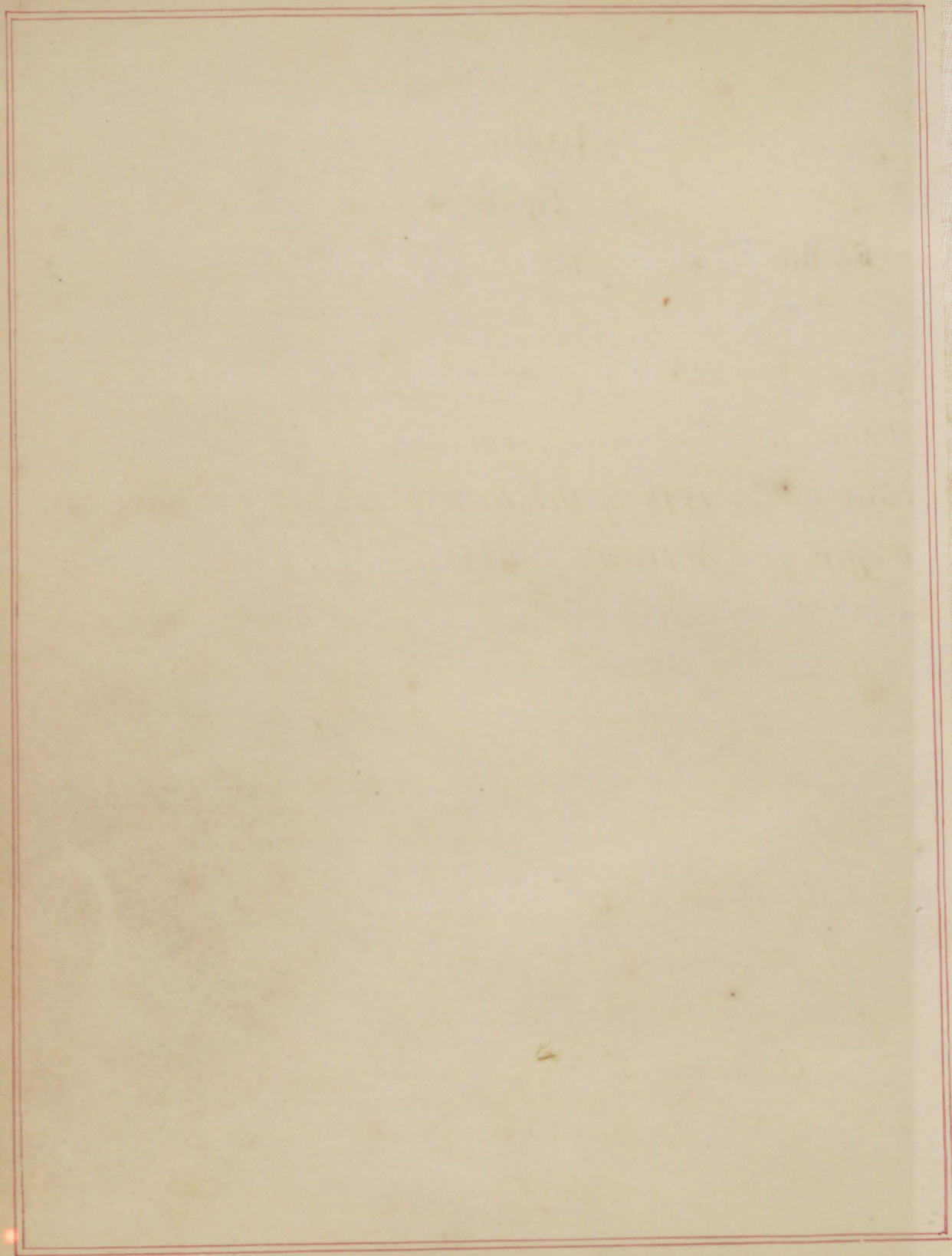
Geo. Osborne

) Committee of Trustees
of the Peabody Institute

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may long be spared to witness the fruits
of your bounty, and that in the enjoyment
of health and all the blessings of life a
kind Providence may ever attend you.

We are, dear Madam, respectfully,
Obedient Servants,
Geo. Thompson & Co. Secy. of the Board.



Mrs. Sutton to the Trustees.

South Danvers Jan. 28. 1867.

To the Trustees of the Peabody Institute.

Gentlemen; Through a Committee of your Board, Hon. A.A. Abbott and Dr. Geo. Osborne, I have received your formal acceptance of the gift, which, on the 15th. of Oct. last, it was my happiness to offer you, in trust, for the foundation and establishment of a Reference Library, as a department of the Peabody Institute.

In fulfillment of my offer, made at that time, I herewith hand you

Twenty Thousand Dollars in City of Boston Bonds, principal and interest payable in Gold, together with the interest accrued since the first day of that month.

As regards the disposition and management of this Gift, allow me to repeat what I have already expressed in my former letter

to you, together with a few other suggestions.

I desire that it may constitute a permanent Fund to be called the

Eben Dale Sutton Fund,

the income of which, as it accrues, without abatement, shall be passed to the credit of the *Lyceum and Library Committee of the Institute*; and that it shall be by them wholly expended in the purchase of books of practical and enduring value, together with Charts, Maps, Diagrams, Models, and such other helps to the acquisition of knowledge as are to be found in the best Libraries established for the use of students and scholars; and in defraying such incidental expences as may become necessary for the preservation and perpetuation of the *Books and Apparatus* constituting the Library; and for no other purpose. I desire that the books may be substantially, and, as far as practicable, uniformly bound; and that they be kept together in a room of the Institute Building especially assigned for their accomodation, from which they shall never be loaned nor taken.

It is my wish that there shall be af-
fixed to the inside of the cover of each Volume
placed in the Library an impression from a
plate, which I will provide and hand to you,
bearing the Seal of the Institute and the fol-
lowing words:-

"Peabody Institute.
From the Eben Dale Sutton Fund.
Purchased A.D. _____"

and figures indicating the year of its purchase.

It seems to me so important to prevent the
accumulation of the interest of this Fund, and
to insure the application of it to the end in view, that
I am led to make it a condition of this Gift, that
at no time shall the Lyceum and Library Committee
hold in their hands, unexpended, more than the
income of one year.

Whenever the contemplated changes shall
have been made in the Institute Building, and a
suitable room appropriated to the Reference

It is my wish that there shall be up-
fixed to the inside of the cover of each volume
placed in the library an impression from a
plate which I will provide and hand to you
during the fall of the Institute and the fol-
lowing words:-

"Ecce homo institutus"

From the Eden Book Station Fund

Purchased A.D.

and figures indicating the year of its purchase.
It seems to me so important to provide the
enumeration of the interest of this fund and
to insure the application of it to the end in view that
I am led to make it a condition of this gift, that
at no time shall the Institute and Library Committee
hold in their hands, unexpended, more than the
income of one year.
I HEREBY the undersigned charges that
have been made in the Institute Building and a
suitable room appropriated to the Reference

It is not wish that there shall be of
fixed to the inside of the cover of each volume
placed in the library an impression from a
plate which I will provide and send to you
bearing the Seal of the Institute and the fol-
lowing words:

"Propriety Institute
From the Eben Dale Station Road
Purchased A.D.

and figures indicating the year of its purchase.
It seems to me as important to print the
circumstances of the interest of this kind, and
to insure the application of it to the end in view that
I can feel to make it a condition of this gift, that
at any time shall the Library and Library Committee
hold in their hands unexpended, more than the

amount of one year.
W HENRY the contemplated changes that
have been made in the Institute Building and a
suitable room appropriated to the Reference

Library, should it be agreeable to your Board, it will afford me pleasure to furnish it, at my own expense, with whatever may be necessary to render it convenient and attractive.

This Library is designed primarily and chiefly, for the use and improvement of our townsmen; but I trust that in its management a liberal policy may be pursued towards those not resident within our borders; so that whatever treasures of knowledge it may, at any time contain, may be easily accessible to any one desirous of profiting by their use.

I am aware that the value and usefulness of this **Foundation** must depend mainly upon the **intelligence and rectitude** of those who shall be charged with its administration; and that, in the hands of a competent and conscientious Board of Trustees, the less it is cumbered with conditions, the more efficient will it prove. To the few stated above, I have none to add. The **good judgement and fidelity** which have characterised the direction of the affairs of the **Institute** since its establishment, will not, I am sure,

Library should it be accessible to
Read it will afford me pleasure to furnish it at
my own expense, with whatever may be necessary to
render it convenient and attractive.
This Library is designed primarily and
chiefly for the use and improvement of our students
but I trust that in its management liberal policy
may be pursued towards those not resident within our
doors, so that whatever treasures of knowledge it
may at any time contain may be easily accessible to
any number of persons of proper attainments.
I am aware that the same end might
be attained by this Foundation must depend mainly upon
the intelligence and industry of those who shall be
charged with its administration; and that in the
hands of a competent and conscientious Board of
Trustees the law it is connected with excellent. The
same spirit will be given to the few books above the
name to come. The great improvement and knowledge which
has characterized the direction of the affairs of the
Institute has been the result of the same spirit.

be diminished by added years of experience; and I do not therefore entertain a doubt of its continued and increased success.

During the remainder of my life, it will be to me a source of happiness, that it has been my fortune to unite with the liberal-minded *Founder* of the Institute, and with you Gentlemen of the Board of Trustees, in efforts for the wider diffusion of *sound learning*; and the *Institution* under your direction will continue to be to me an object of *interest and affection*.

Thanking you for the kind and graceful terms in which you were pleased to signify your acceptance of this *Gift*, and reciprocating your expressions of *personal regard*,

I remain,

Yours most respectfully,
Eliza Sutton.

be distinguished by added years of experience and I
must therefore entertain a doubt of its continued
and increased success.
I trust the remainder of my life will
be one of happiness that I have not
yet come to mind with the least anxiety. I trust
the Institute and all your Gentlemen of the Board
of Trustees in efforts for the betterment of society
will continue to be true in spirit of interest and

Thanking you for the kind and good
the terms in which you were pleased to signify
your acceptance of this gift and requesting your
expression of personal regard.

Yours most respectfully
Oliver Sutton.

Dr. Osborn to Mrs Sutton.

South Danvers Feb. 2. 1867.

Mrs. Eliza Sutton.

Madam,

In behalf of the *Trustees* of the *Peabody Institute*, I have been charged with the honorable duty of acknowledging the receipt of your most acceptable and *generous* letter of the 28th. of January, accompanied with a transfer to me as their Treasurer of

Twenty Thousand Dollars,
in *City of Boston Bonds*, principal and interest payable in *GOLD*, with the interest accrued since the 1st day of October last.

In relation to your wishes and purposes of this Endowment, and the character of its management, allow me to say that so far as the present Trustees are involved, and no doubt the same may be predicated of their successors, it will be their earnest study

Dr. Caspary to Mrs. Sutton.

South Downers Feb. 2. 1867.

Mrs. Maria Sutton

Madam

In behalf of the

Trustees of the Theological Institute, I have been charged
with the honorable duty of acknowledging the receipt
of your most acceptable and generous letter of
the 25th of January, accompanied with a remittance to
me as their Treasurer of

Twenty Thousand Dollars

in City of Boston Bonds principal and interest
payable in 60th, with the interest accrued since the
1st day of October last.

The relation to your wishes and purposes
of this kindowment, and the character of its management
will allow me to say that as far as the present Trustees
are interested, and we doubt the same may be predicted
of their successors, it will be their earnest study

that in their selection of the persons who shall compose the Lyceum and Library Committee, (as that will be the Board which will have the immediate agency in the disposal of its income,) they shall be such as will feel a pride, only in fulfilling your very wise and judicious suggestions, in the most precise, faithful and honorable manner.

But, dear Madam, in this last communication of yours, you have again brought the community and ourselves under additional obligations of gratefulness. You say that whenever the contemplated changes in the Institute Building shall have been made and a suitable room appropriated to the Reference Library, it will afford you pleasure to furnish it at your own expense with whatever may be necessary to render it convenient and attractive.

It is a pleasure to me to inform you that the consideration of an appropriate apartment for the Reference Library, holding

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that in their selection of the persons who shall comprise
the Executive and Library Committee, for that
will be the Board which will have the immediate
agency in the disposal of its income) they shall be
such as will feel a pride and in fulfilling your
very wise and judicious suggestions, in the most
thorough, faithful and honorable manner.

1857. When Mr. Adams, in this last communica-
tion of yours, you have again brought the matter
up, and consider such additional suggestions of
practicability. You say that whenever the com-
pleted changes in the Institute Building shall have
been made and a suitable room appropriated to the
Library use, Library it will afford great pleasure
to furnish it at your own expense with whatever
may be necessary to render it convenient and at-
tractive.

It is a pleasure to me to inform you
that the consideration of an appropriate apart-
ment for the Reference Library, holding

primarily a delicate and due regard to the correlative interests and designs of the *Munificent Founder of the Institute*, has engaged the constant care and attention of the *Trustees*, while devising the plans for the enlargement of the Building.

That the apartment might be such as they thought would meet with the favor of both *Mr. Peabody* and *yourself*, they have assigned the contemplated room in the Northern division of the Hall in the 2d Story, as the place for the *Eben Dale Sutton Library*.

And when the additional proposal and extension of your munificence was opened to the Trustees, it was most gratefully accepted, and the subject of the apartment was again brought under earnest consideration, to see if any thing had been left undone in their already arranged plans, which could possibly be done, consistently as above hinted, to render it in capacity, conformity, and pleasantness better adapted.

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Executive Council and the Trustees of the
University of the Trustees has engaged the
plant core and attention of the Trustees who
during the plans for the enlargement of the Build-
ing.

What the opportunity might be such as
they thought would meet with the favor of both
the Faculty and Trustees they have assigned
the contemplated action in the Northern division
of the Hall in the 3rd story, as the place for the
Trustee's Station Library.

And when the addition is proposed and extension
of your committee was opened to the Trustees, it
was most graciously accepted and the subject of the
appointment was again brought under earnest considera-
tion. It is to me if any thing has been left undone in this
already arranged plans which could possibly be done con-
sistently or advantageously to render it more complete
of our presentness better adapted.

Rest assured dear Madam, then, that your generosity and kindness will always be prominent with the Trustees, and at a suitable time, after having given you the contour, dimensions, usual masonry and carpenter work of the apartment, as the best they can devise, they will have full confidence and pleasure of leaving all the rest at your disposal.

You have expressed the happiness you have derived "from being able to unite your efforts with those of the liberal-minded Founder of the Institute and the Trustees, for the diffusion of sound learning."

Most assuredly we can conceive of the reward of a benevolent heart, and trust and believe, that while your life is spared, every thing connected with this endowment will tend to increase that happiness, which will ever be the wish and aspiration of your Town's people and your other beneficiaries, for you to enjoy.

With sentiments of high esteem

most respectfully and truly yours

Geo. Osborne

in behalf of Trustees of Peabody Institute.

in behalf of Trustees of Peabody Institute.

Geo. Osborn

Most respectfully and truly yours

With sentiments of high esteem

Believe me your most obedient servant

Yours very truly

Wm. Lloyd Garrison

A special copy of this letter is forwarded to you by

mail and will reach you in a few days.

Very respectfully

Wm. Lloyd Garrison

and the Trustees of the Institute of Peabody Institute

have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst.

and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the

proper authorities for their consideration.

Very respectfully

Wm. Lloyd Garrison

and the Trustees of the Institute of Peabody Institute

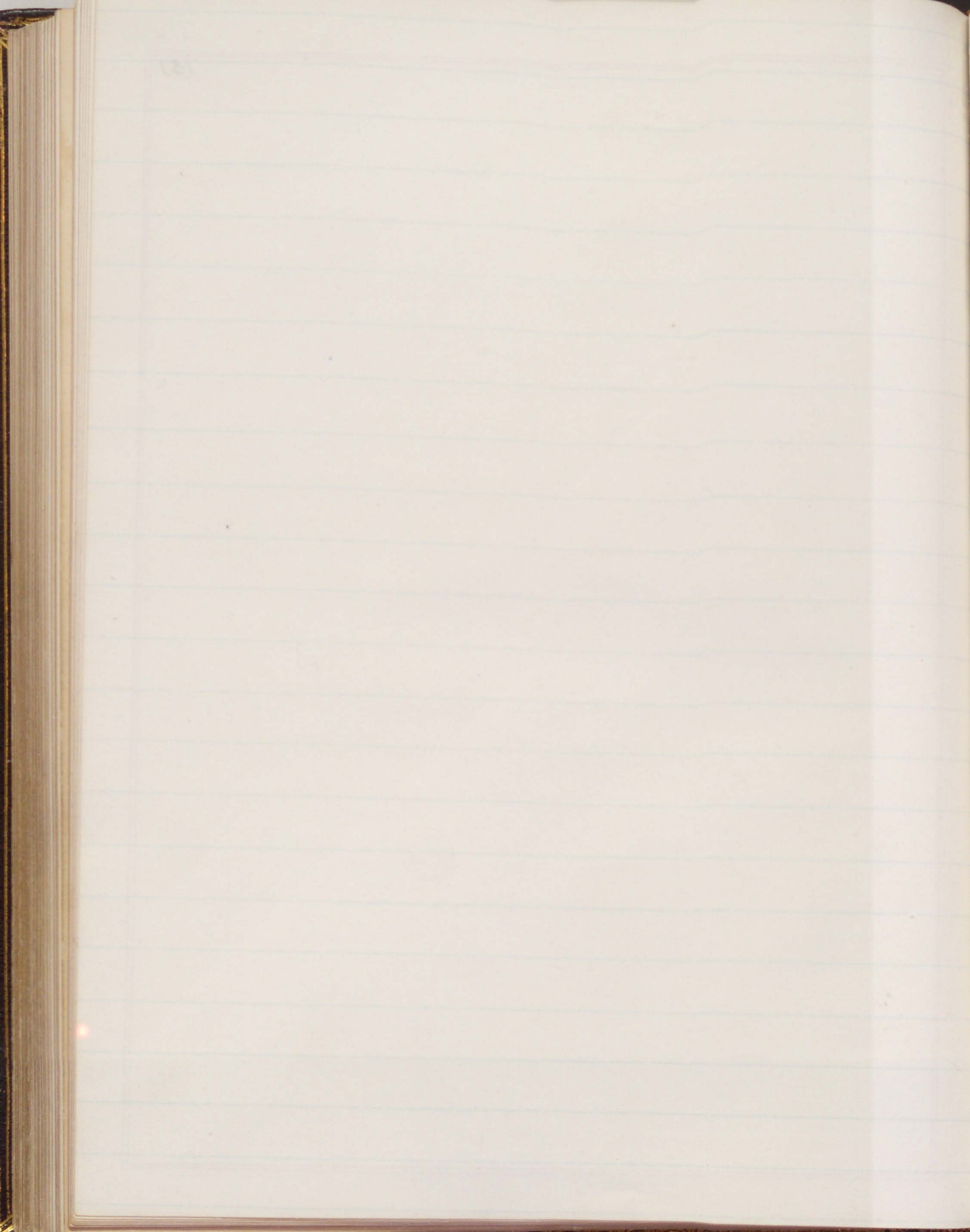
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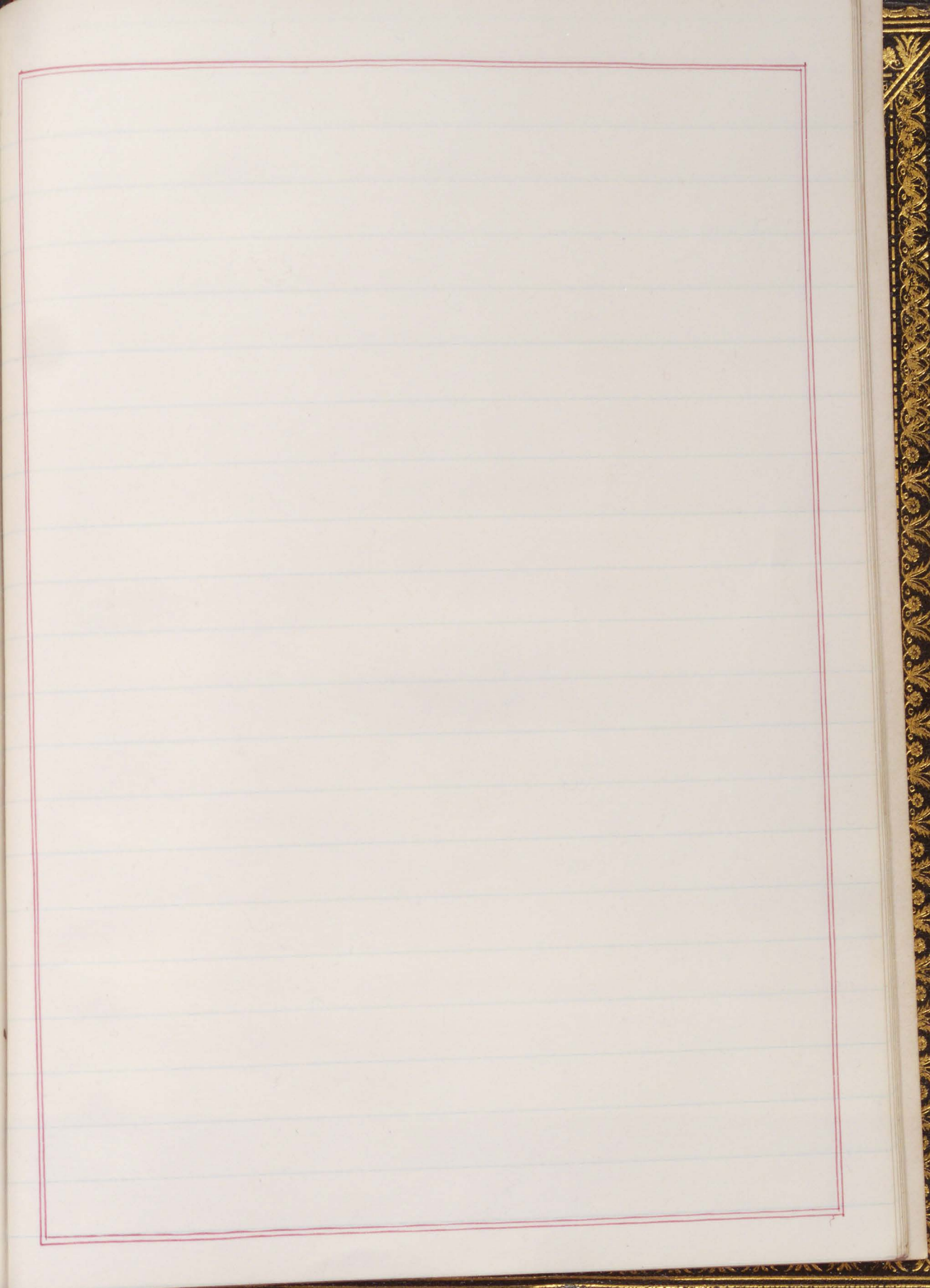
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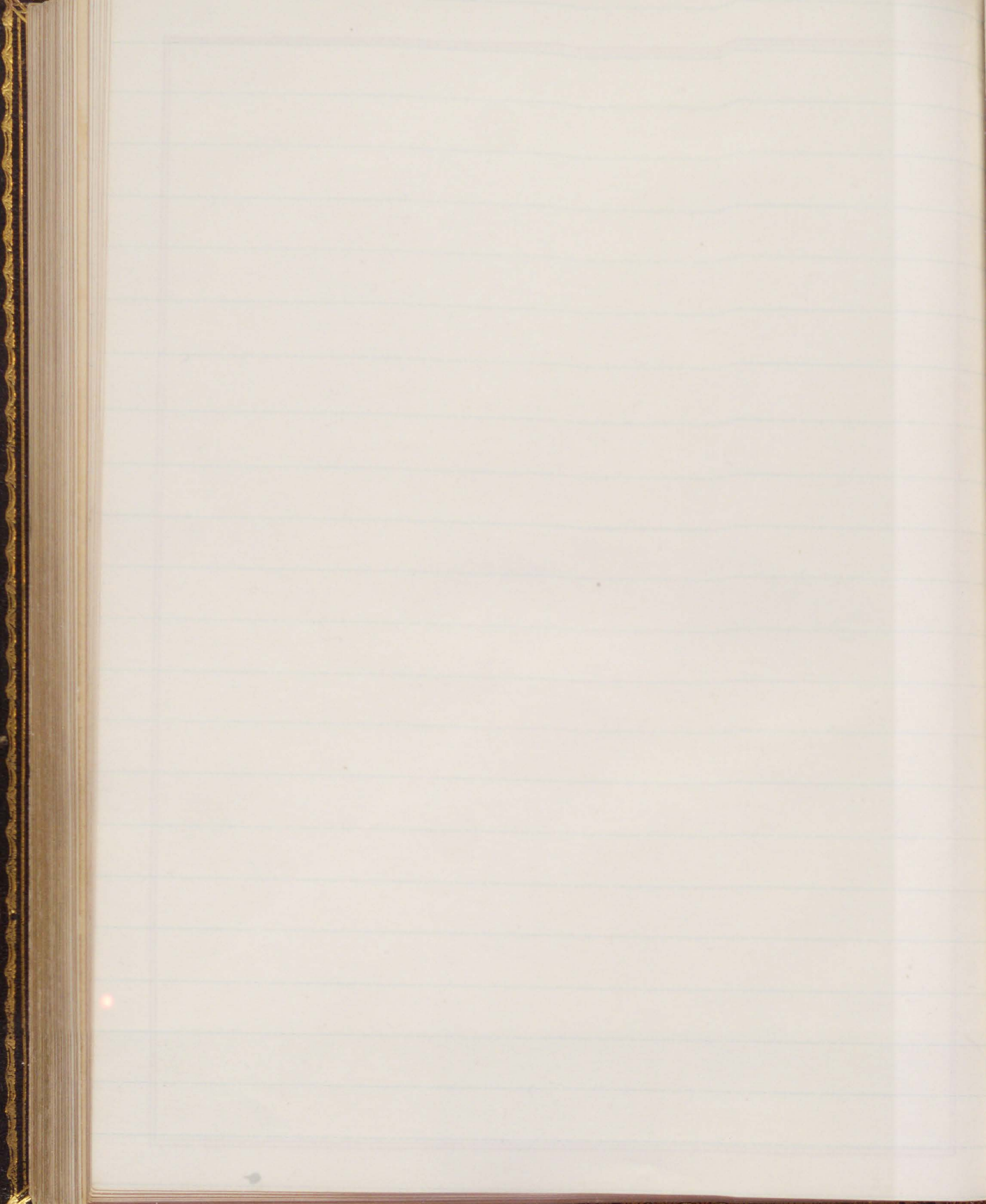
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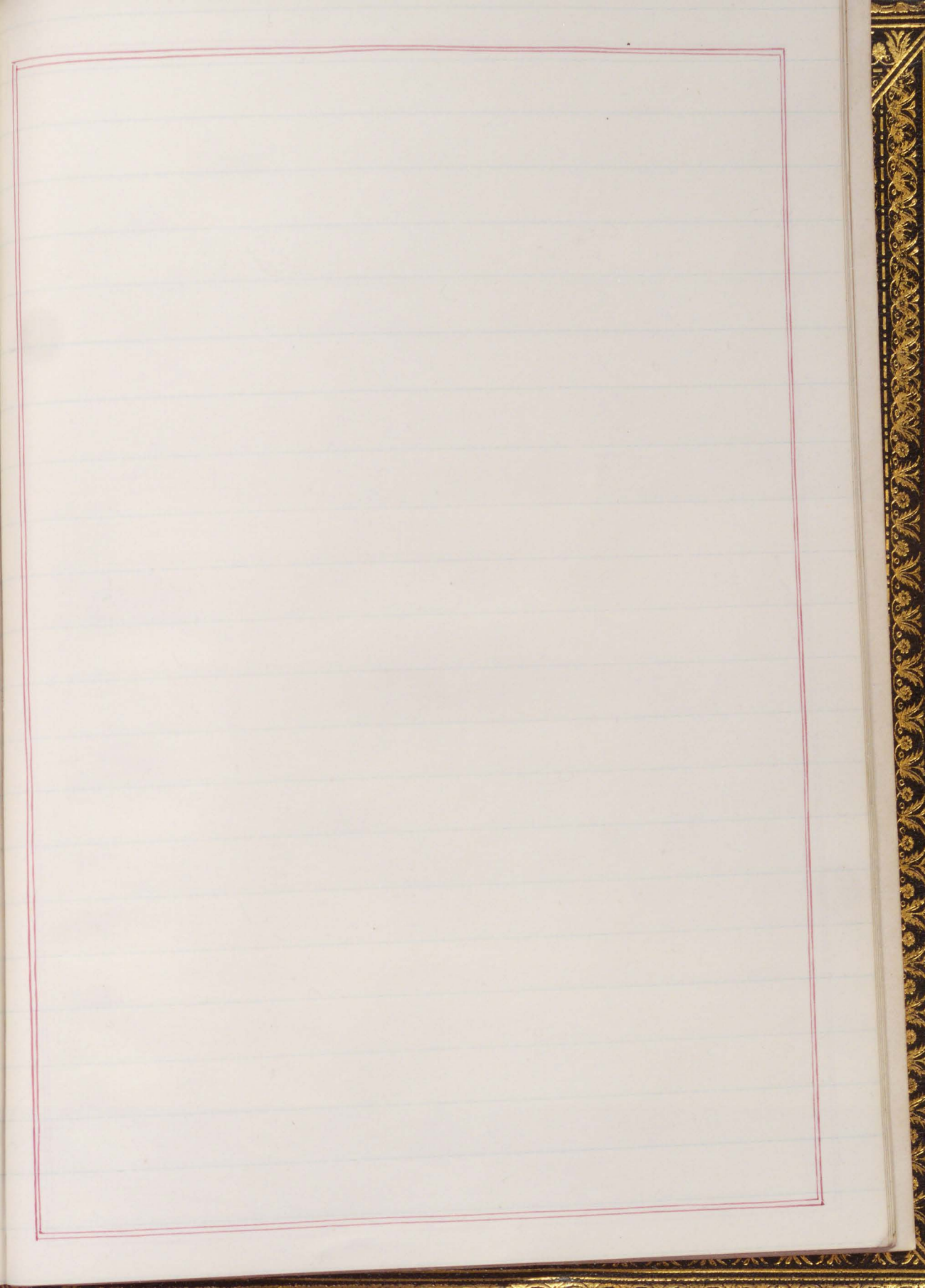
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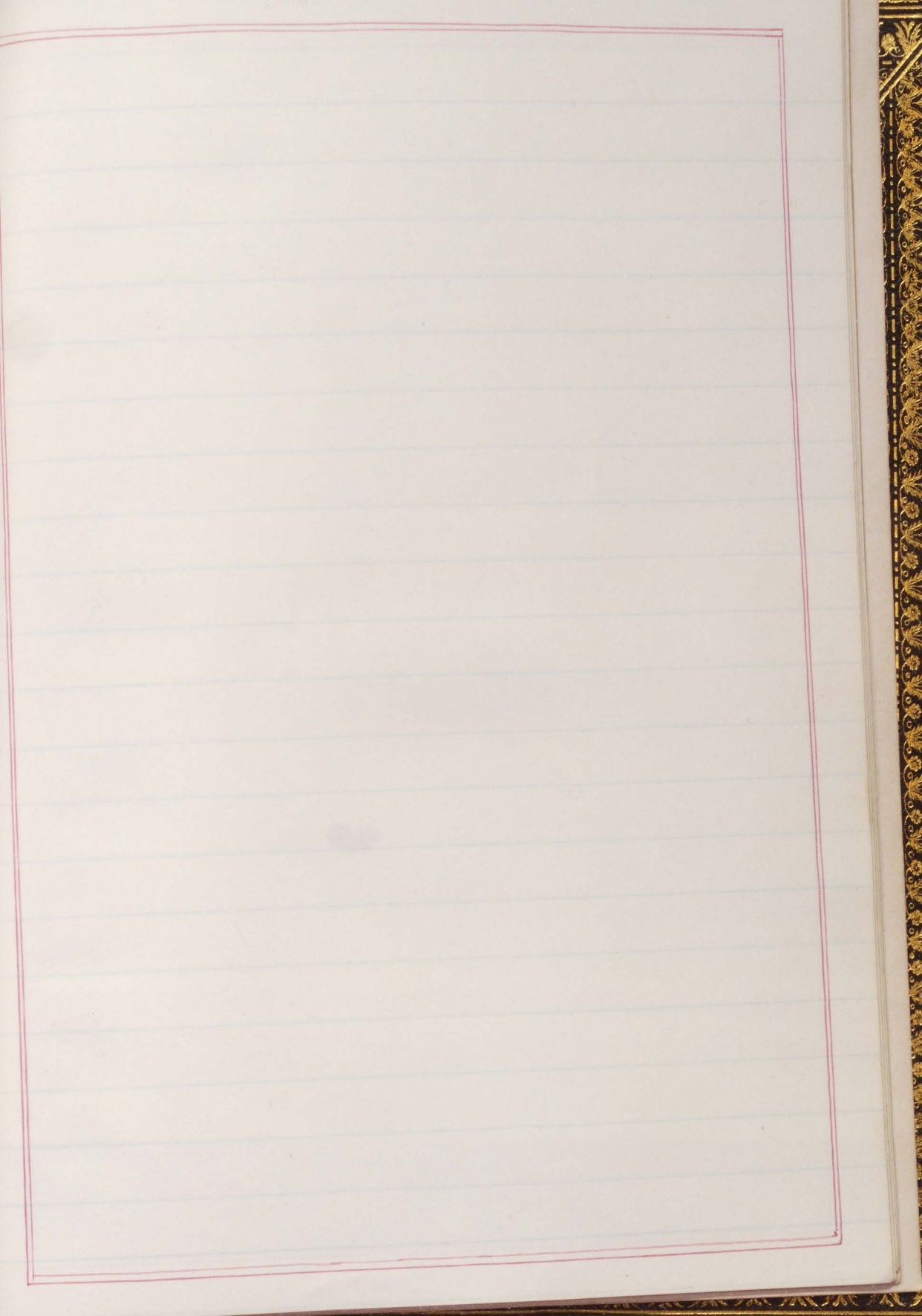


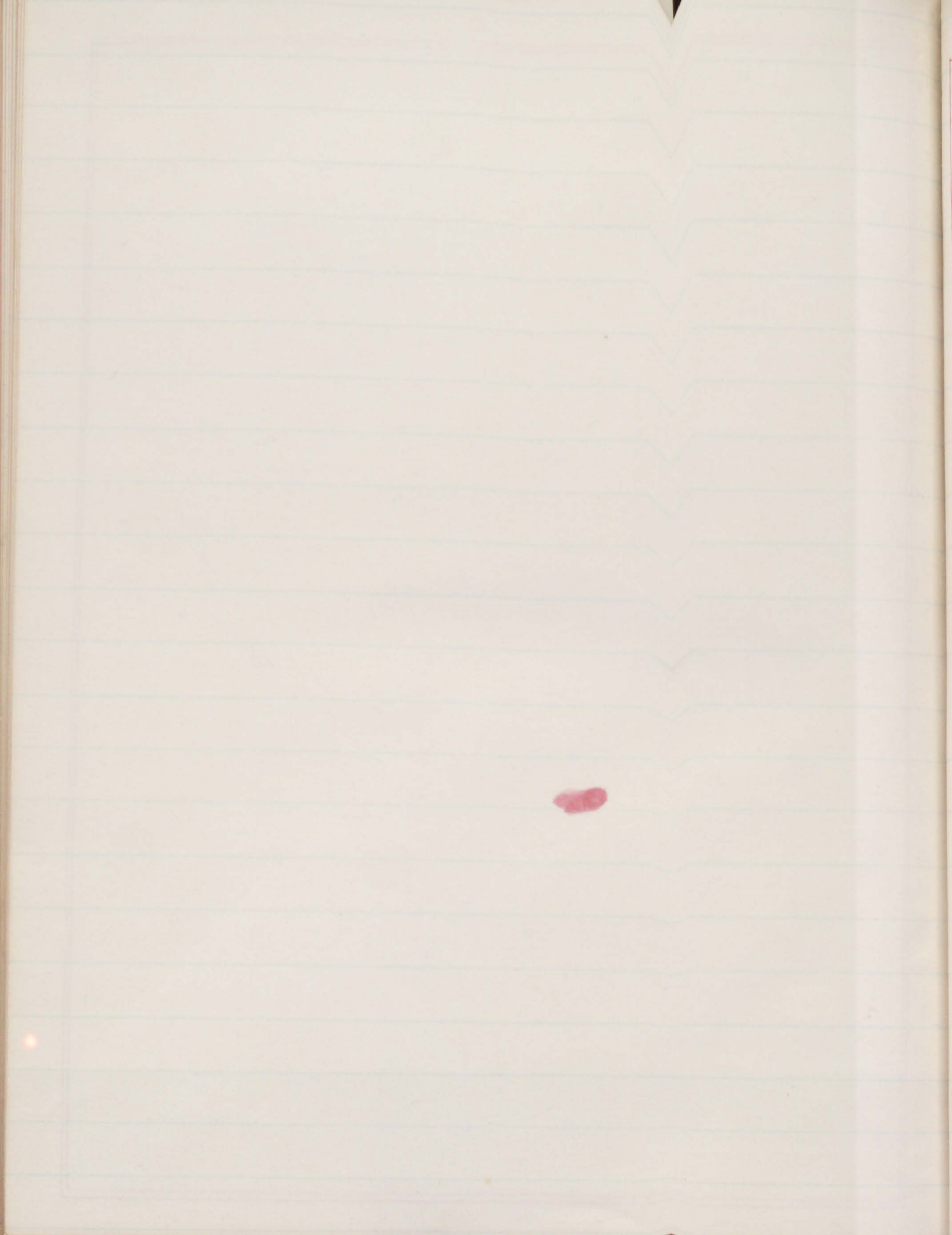


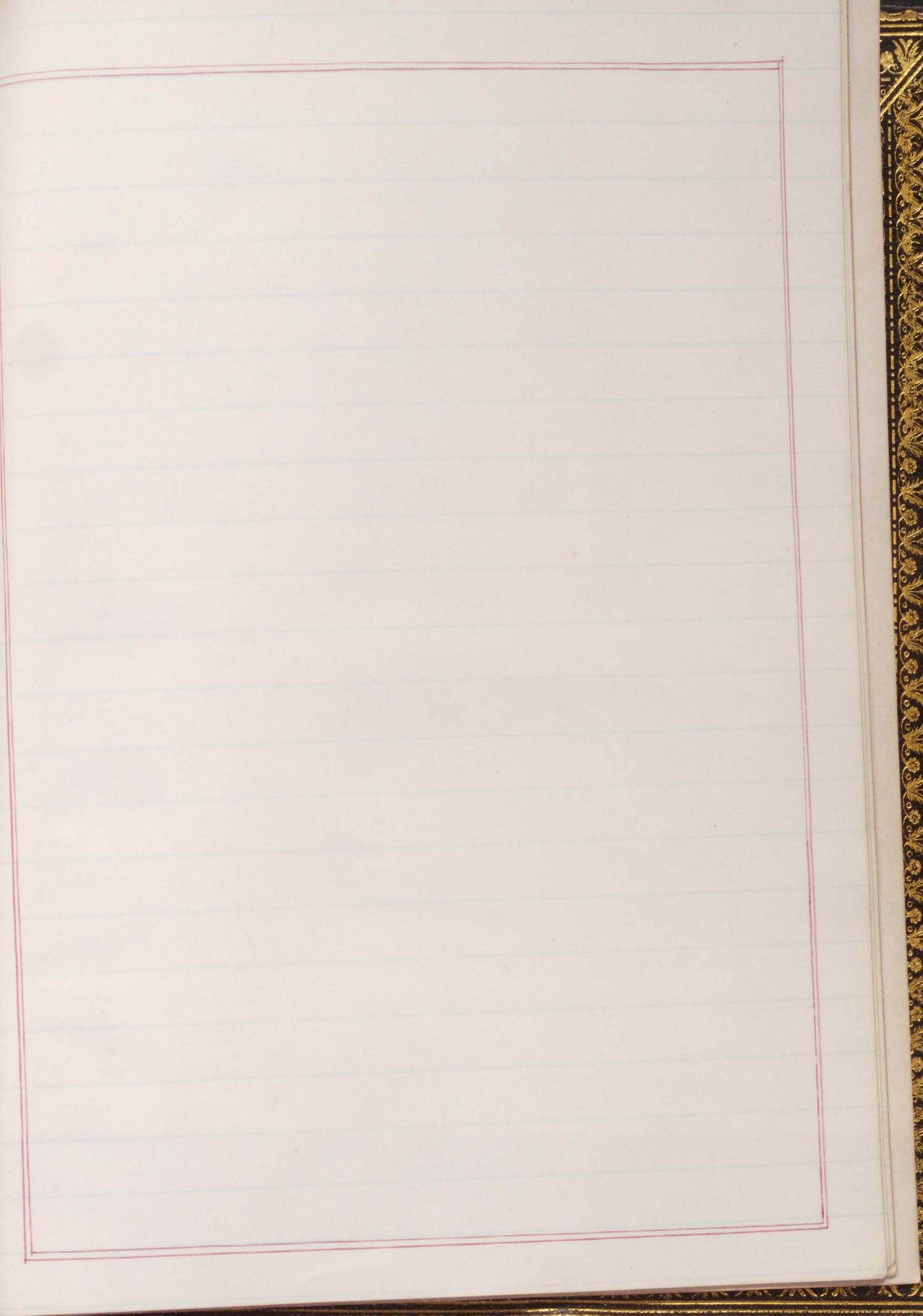


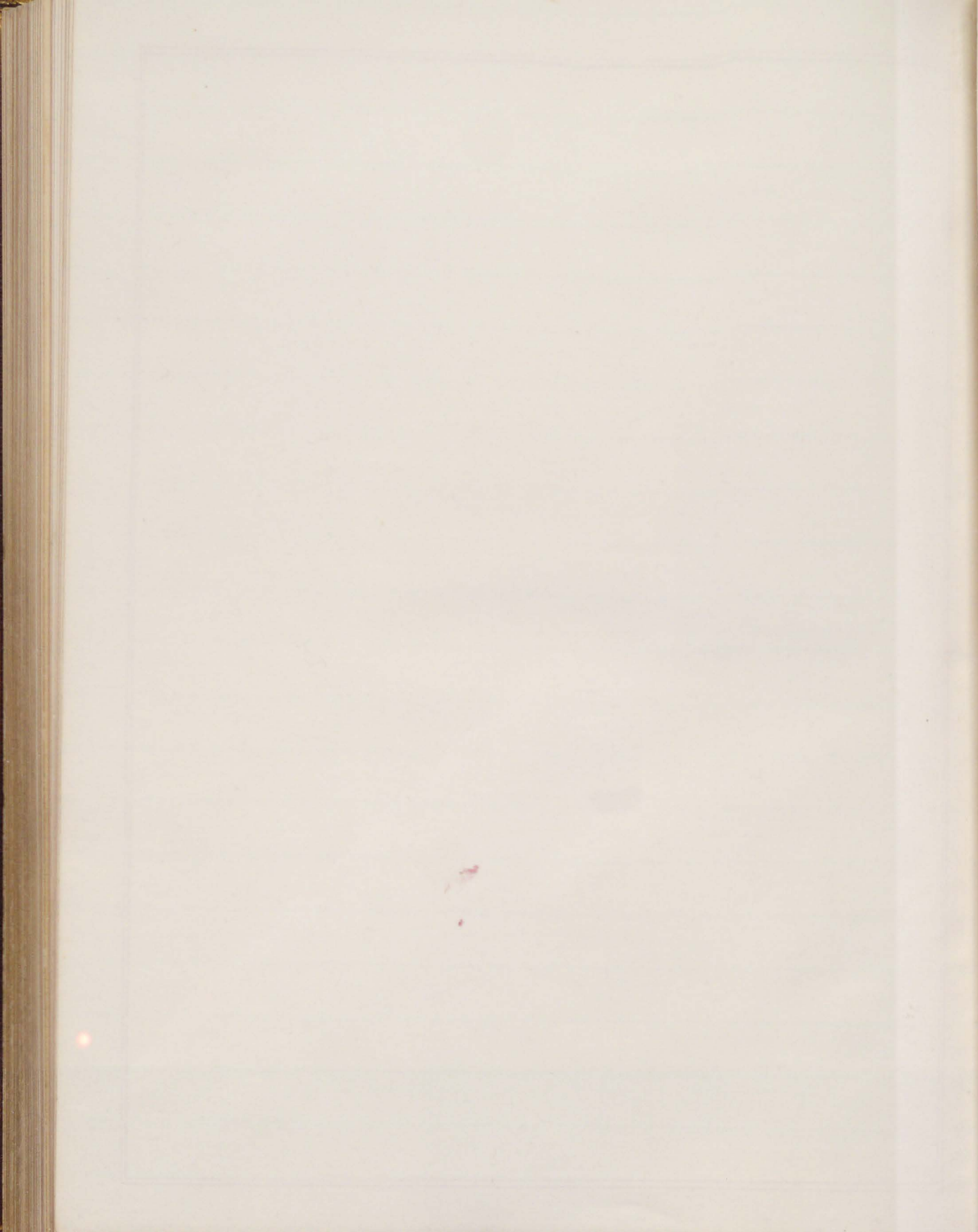


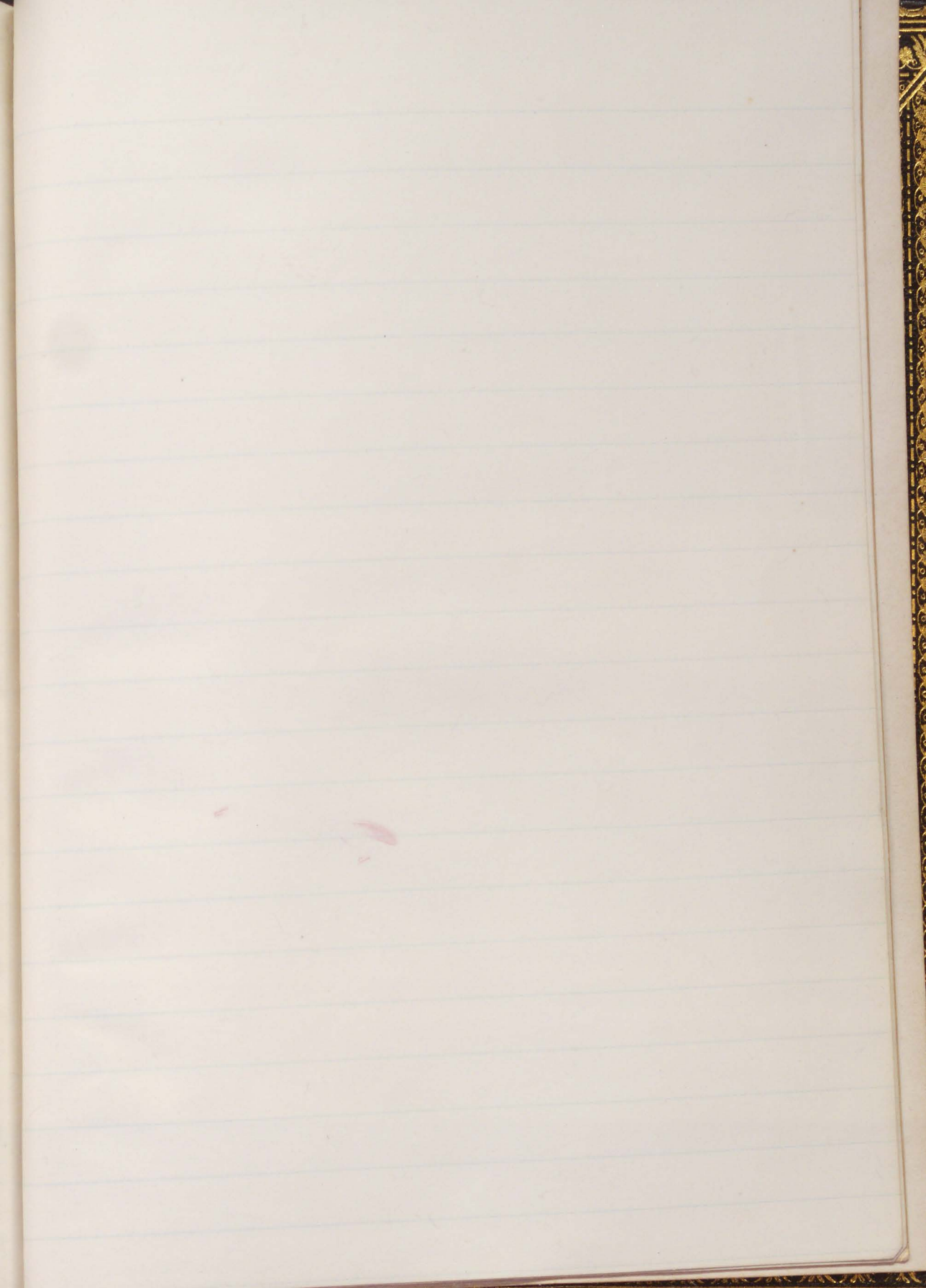
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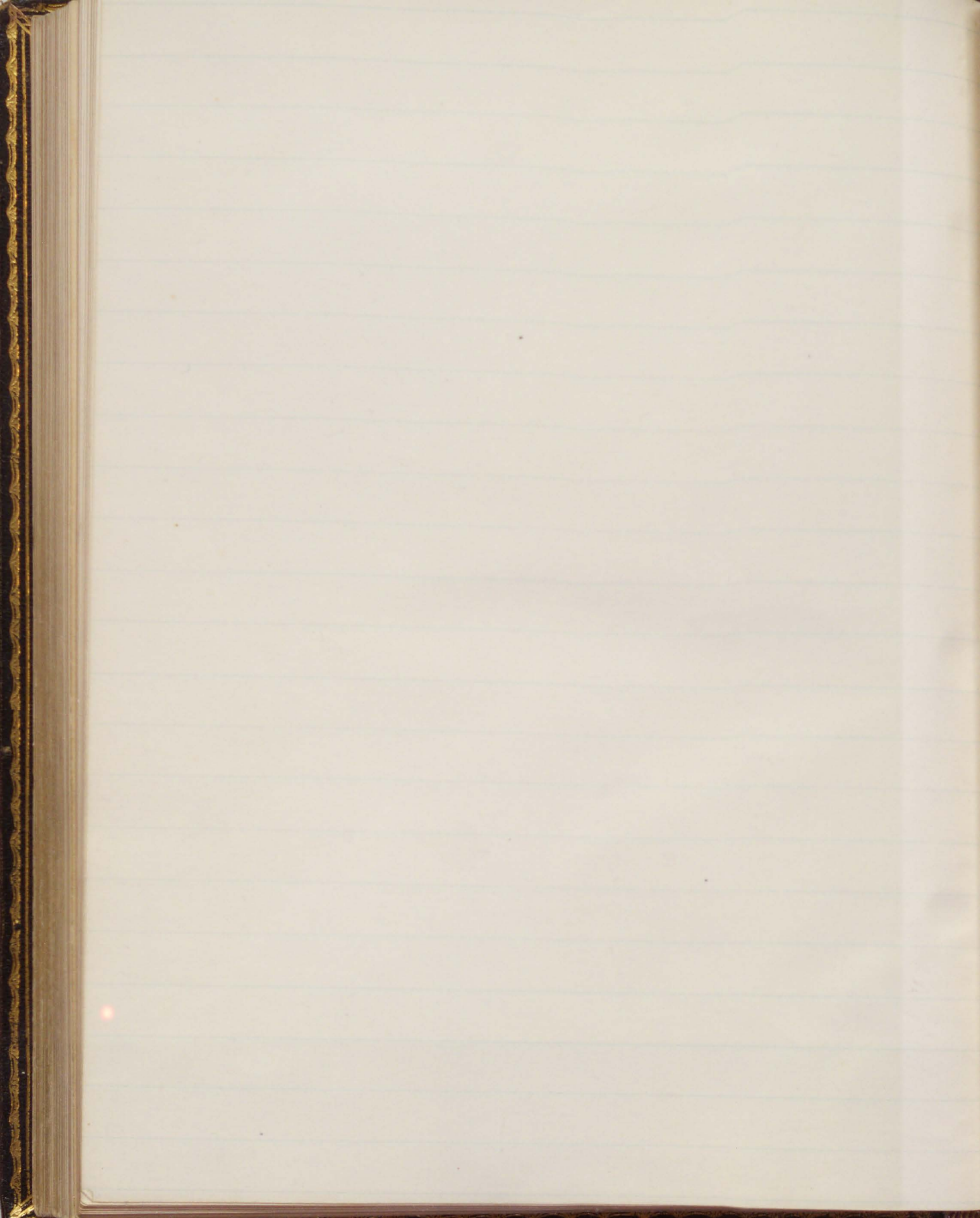


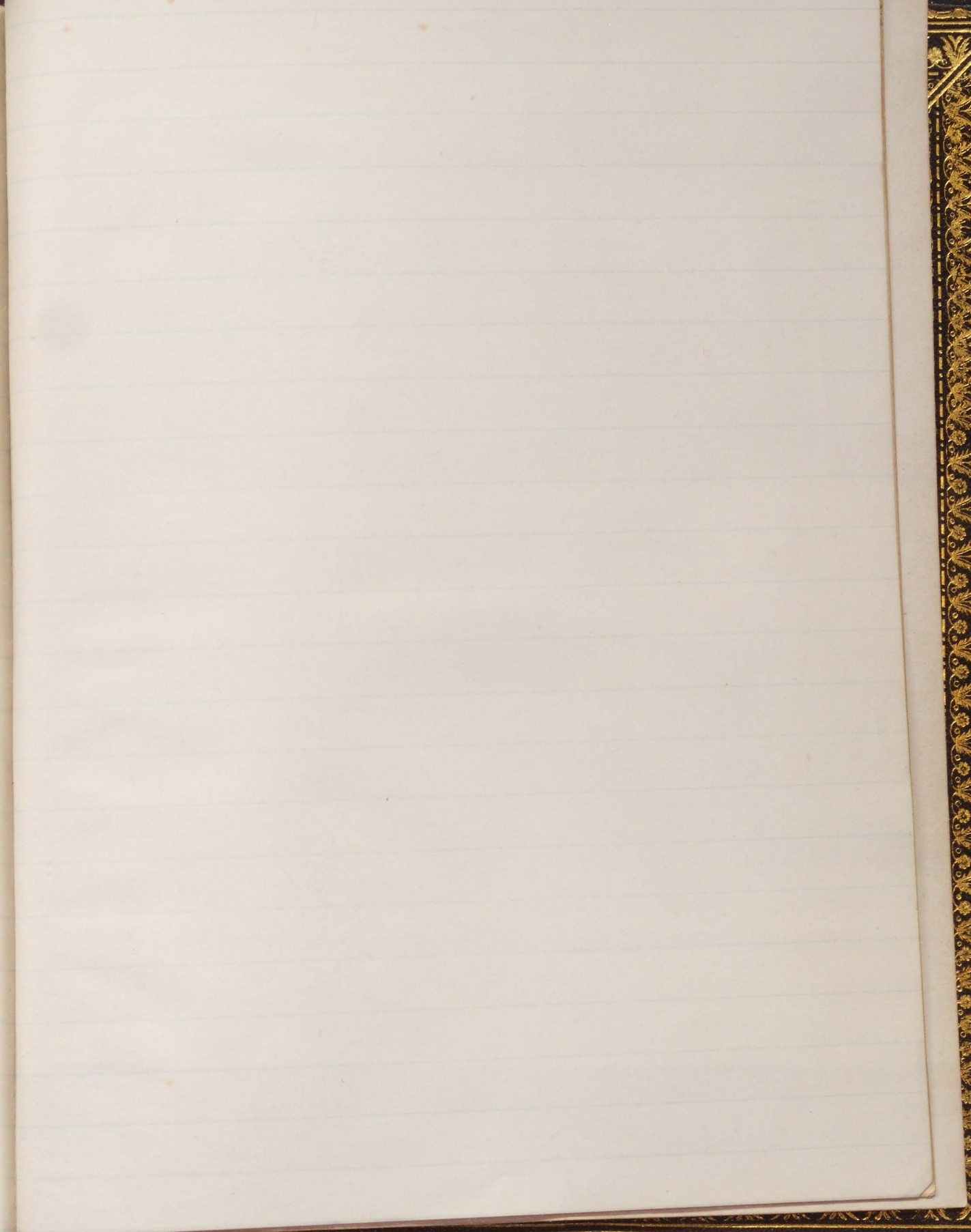














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